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Welcome to Captain Handicapper's Day

The distinguished position of Captain/Handicapper is crucial to the Lizards and their visitors enjoying our monthly events. Joining **Michael Morgan LM** in the handicapping engine room we have another long-standing committee member, **Chris Mooney LM**. We are lucky to have such thorough record keeping and accurate handicapping calculations - so let's try to keep the cards legible, eh? Thanks to both of you gentlemen for your time and efforts!

SMURF DAY, with 15 Lizards and 2 visitors, produced the following results:

1st Lizards						Garry Bird LM - 44 points off a handicap of 29
2nd Lizards						Pat Byrne - 42 points on count-back off a handicap of 19 awarded to Brian Ellis O.T.D.
1st Visitors						Ene Pou - 32 points off a handicap of 10
Best Scratch						Milton Went - 25 points off a handicap of 13
Bradman - Lizards						Frank Raso - 27 points off a handicap of 28
Bradman - Visitors						Timi Isara - 29 points off a handicap of 22
Best Front Nine						Brian Ellis - 24 points off a handicap of 31 awarded to Pat Byrne O.T.D.
Best Back Nine						Rob O'Brien - 22 points off a handicap of 27
Nearest the Pins	All	2 nd	Kyle Wilson	5 th	Pat Byrne	
		7 th (2 nd Shot)	Kyle Wilson	14 th	N.G.E.	
		15 th	Ene Pou	16 th (2 nd Shot)	Chris Mooney LM	
Longest Drives	25≥	6 th	Sean Milliss			
	24≤	6 th	Jim Buckenham			

Results of the Finals of the Lindenberg

Pat Byrne d Kyle Wilson 2 & 1

The July event enjoyed mostly sunny weather and an enjoyable lunch of Raso Burgers – good stuff chaps! Our newly minted President even gave a rousing speech to close our meeting (see last page of the FOL).

Garry Bird LM did not heed last month's FOL warnings and won the day for a second month in a row with 44 points. Nice golf Garry, that is only the 4th time in over a decade of Lizards that a member has won consecutive events. And don't worry the handicapper is all over it!

Garry held off Lindenberg finalist **Pat Byrne** in second place, Pat coming home with 42 points.



Is that the trophy?

Howard Lindenberg Trophy

The Linderberg Final was a surprisingly cordial affair with Kyle taking an early lead – this was gradually pegged back by Pat who sealed the win with a birdie on the 17th hole.

Your editor had a front row seat and although there was much discussion of a reasonable price for Lindenberg spectators – in the end Kyle and Pat didn't cough up a cent...

Congratulations **Pat Byrne** on your first Lizard's trophy!



Other Business

With the increase in green fees at Royal Turramurra, the decision has been made to bite the bullet and increase the Lizards cost to \$80 each for members and visitors, starting today.

Lemon Tree Trip Update

The Lemon Tree Passage Trip this year is the 10th - 12th November 2023. **Peter Kiely** has advised the following courses / tee times:

- Friday 11:30: Tanilba Bay
- Saturday 11:00: Horizons
- Sunday 10:00: Muree

The total cost is \$420 which includes all golf with carts, breakfast on Saturday & Sunday and accommodation. Adjustments for those not playing all 3 rounds will be made. PK hopes to see you all there so get your name on his list!

Fines of the Day

Sean Milliss	Gave Brian a driving lesson who then outdrove him by 50 metres
Garry Bird	Created chaos on the 1 st tee by organising 2 groups to hit off second
Chris Mooney	Asked Kyle if he was inside him
Michael Morgan	Told Ric to stop pulling it – Ric told him to #&!% off, he'd pull it all afternoon it he wanted to
Ric & Frank Raso	Giving Lizards' lunch to strangers and starving children



Tough decisions



When Frank opened his eyes, he was still the Bradman

TODAY'S PLAY

Handicap Adjustments:

Garry Bird LM	-4	Peter Murphy	-3	Rob O'Brien	-2
Brian Ellis	-3	Pat Byrne	-2	Jim Buckenham	1

Nearest the Pins

Handicap of 25 or more	5 th	14 th
Handicap of 24 or less	5 th	14 th

Longest Drives

Handicap of 25 or more	6 th
Handicap of 24 or less	6 th

NEXT MONTH

Event: Kyle & Robbie O's Custard Ball
Tee Time: 8:30am
Caterer: Rob O'Brien & Kyle Wilson

TODAY

Captain Handicapper's Day
8:30am
Mason Hiini & Pat Byrne

Good Golfing and Good Luck
Rob O'Brien, Editor

Good morning Lizards!

I would like to acknowledge past members, present members and emerging members.

This is the 76th year of the Lizards social golf club. It is an honour and a privilege to continue the duties of president, from such great men who came before me. As Isaac Newton said, "If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants."

My deputy principal, Pat Byrne, is a school teacher. He is accustomed to supervising naughty children and his role here at Lizards, will not be dissimilar.

I would like to thank my predecessor, Jim Buckingham, for his hard work over the past year. Well done Jim.

I would like to thank Chris Mooney, who has edited "Flat Out Like" since 2007. We will miss your wise words, and your sense of humour, which always made "Flat Out Like" essential reading.

Thank you to Rob O'Brien, who will be taking over from Chris. Filling the "Chris-abyss".

I would like to recognise the hard work of Brian Ellis, "The Baggage Handler". Along with his assistant Monsta, they setup the tables and chairs, upon which we all rely. Also, to "The Tax Collector" Ivan. Thank you.

Thank you to the handicapper Michael Morgan, who works under great pressure, to bring balance to the universe, and order from chaos.

Lastly, thanks to all the committee members and life members who contribute to the smooth running of the club.

Pete Murphy, President

A maiden speech from a President – let's hope it's a one off!

