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Club champs begin at the Narrabri Golf Club

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The Narrabri Golf Club's 2026 Club Championships tournament began at the weekend, with rounds one and two contested on Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

There were 74 golfers in action across the six divisions, with 17 lining up in men's A-grade, 26 competing in men's B-grade, 13 playing in men's C-grade, four featuring in ladies' A-grade, and seven in each of the ladies' B-grade and C-grade divisions.

The 2025 ladies' club champion Zoe Tomlinson will attempt to defend her title this year, and she got off to a fast start across the weekend to finish it 20 shots clear of Leisa Eather with two rounds remaining in ladies' division one.

Tomlinson was the gross winner in the ladies' division on both days as she shot 79 on Saturday and 86 on Sunday to total 165 after two rounds.

That has left her on track to blow her 2025 winning score of 344 out of the water in 2026.

Eather was the gross runner-up on Saturday with 93 and went one better the following day with 92 to finish as runner-up with 185, while Sunday's gross runner-up Louise Penberthy shot a 90 in round two after a 100 in round one to finish the weekend five shots behind Eather on 190.

Robyn Smith is 10 shots back from Penberthy on 200 after shooting a 98 and a 102.

The men's defending champion Josh Orman is also in a great spot after two

rounds. The 2025 winner was tied for the gross winner in round one on 73 alongside Karl Hatfield.

Hatfield, the three-time defending Narrabri Open champion, was the gross winner on Sunday as well as he shot another 73 to finish the weekend five clear of Orman, who shot 78 on Sunday, and Jye Manton, whose 74 on Saturday and 77 on Sunday saw him end the weekend level on 151 with Orman.

Veteran Keith Flood is next best on 152 after shooting 76 on both days, and eight-time club champion Adam Taylor is tied fourth on 155.

Taylor had an off day on Saturday as he produced an 83 in round one, but he bounced back to shoot a round two gross winning score of 72 on Sunday to get right back in it.

Adam Smith is also on 155, and Blake Fielder is a shot behind them.

The 10 other golfers in the men's A-grade division all sit outside 160 and have plenty of ground to make up on the leader.

The current men's B-grade leader is Max Smith with 170 from Wayne Saunders on 171, and the current men's C-grade leader is Hayden Smith with 176 from Drew Penberthy and Bob Taylor on 185.

Tied first in ladies' division two are Chrissy Southwell and June Lang on 200, with Myra Joseph just behind on 202.

Kate Pitman leads the way in ladies' division three with 209 from Joy Baker on 210.

Rounds three and four will be held this weekend.

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Weekly supplied results from Narrabri Golf Club

Results from last week at Narrabri Golf Club are as follows:

Wednesday nine-hole stableford medley:

Winner - Daniel Spence with 20 points, runner-up - William Lang with 19 points (countback).

Wednesday ladies' 18-hole stableford:

Winner - Pammie Waters with 35 points, runner-up - Shannon Rily with 34 points (countback), nearest to pin fifth - Myra Joseph, nearest to pin eighth and 16th - Louise Penberthy, nearest to pin 12th - Peg Penberthy.

Saturday Club Championships round one/monthly medal single stroke

Men:

A-grade gross winner - Josh Orman with 73, A-grade nett winner - Jye Manton with 68, A-grade nett runner-up - Blake Fielder with 70, B-grade gross winner - Tony Meppem with 80, B-grade nett winner - Richard Miller with 70, B-grade nett runner-up - David McCathie with 71, C-grade gross winner - Hayden Smith with 86, C-grade nett winner - James Cable with 69, C-grade nett runner-up - Jason Smith with 69, nearest to pin fifth - Adam Smith, nearest to pin eighth 12th - Keith Flood, nearest to pin 16th Justin Orman.

Ladies:

Gross winner - Zoe Tomlinson with 79, nett winner - Jenny Kirk with 70, nett runner-up - Karleigh Cook with 70.

Sunday Club Championships single stroke round two:

Men:

A-grade gross winner - Adam Taylor with 72, A-grade gross runner-up - Karl Hatfield with 73, A-grade nett winner - Keith Flood with 71, A-grade nett runner-up - Steven Richardson with 72, B-grade gross winner - Lachlan Woolford with 83, B-grade gross runner-up - Tony Nott with 86, B-grade nett winner - Max Smith with 71, B-grade nett runner-up - Thomas Dinham with 72, C-grade gross winner - Robert Taylor with 89, C-grade gross runner-up - Drew Penberthy with 94, C-grade nett winner - Terry Joseph with 72, C-grade nett runner-up - Jack Sharpe with 78, nearest to pin fifth - Terry Joseph, nearest to pin eighth - Steven Richardson, nearest to pin 12th - Keith Greenaway, nearest to pin 16th - Karl Hatfield.

Ladies:

Division one gross winner - Zoe Tomlinson with 86, division one gross runner-up - Leisa Eather with 92, division one nett winner - Louise Penberthy with 72, division one nett runner-up - Robyn Smith with 80, division two gross winner - Myra Joseph with 98, division two gross runner-up - June Lang with 99, division two nett winner - Christine Southwell with 72, division two nett runner-up - Joy Baker with 75, division three gross winner - Kate Pitman with 101, division three gross runner-up - Maree Taylor with 111, division three nett winner - Jenny Kirk with 74, division three nett runner-up - Sandra Nott with 80.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of an application for modification of multiple State Significant Development consents granted under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 – Whitehaven Gunnedah Open Cut Modifications

Whitehaven Coal Limited (Whitehaven) and its subsidiaries own and operate the following open cut coal mining operations located in the Gunnedah Coalfield in New South Wales (NSW):

- Vickery Extension Project (Vickery Coal Mine [VCM]) (Development Consent [SSD 7480]) – approved under Part 4 of the *NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) on 12 August 2020; and
- Tarrawonga Coal Project (Tarrawonga Coal Mine [TCM]) (Project Approval [MP11_0047]) – approved under Part 3A of the EP&A Act on 22 January 2013.

The modifications are being sought under Section 4.55 (2) of the EP&A Act (the Modification Applications). The Modification Applications would allow for an increase in the approved run of mine (ROM) coal haulage limit utilising existing infrastructure and ROM coal haulage fleet from the approved 3.5 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) up to 4.1 Mtpa for calendar years 2026 to 2030, inclusive, for the VCM and TCM.

Whitehaven gives notice of the Modification Applications in accordance with Sections 98(4)(b) and 98(5)(b) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 (NSW)*.

Application details

Application No:	SSD 7480 Mod 3	MP11_0047 Mod 12
Proponent:	Vickery Coal Pty Ltd Level 28, 259 George Street Sydney NSW 2000	Tarrawonga Coal Pty Limited Level 28, 259 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

Modifications Description

The Modification Applications would include:

- Increase haulage from 3.5 Mtpa to 4.1 Mtpa along the currently approved haulage route for each calendar year from 2026 to 2030, aligning with the maximum approved ROM coal processing permitted at the Whitehaven Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP) (as per MP11_0047 and SSD 7480).
- Aligning the increased ROM coal haulage with the end of the currently permitted mining operations period (i.e. December 2030) under the development consents for both the Whitehaven CHPP and TCM.
- Alignment of the regulated coal haulage periods for the VCM with the regulated coal haulage periods for the TCM and Whitehaven CHPP (i.e. change from financial year to calendar year).

The Modification Applications are accompanied by a Modification Report. The Modification Applications and Modification Report will be available on the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure's Major Projects portal, www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects, for viewing.



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