



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ian Simpson Chairman

JUNE 2018

Greeting members and guests.

The Board of Directors met last Tuesday for their regular monthly meeting, the following being some points of interest.

FINANCE

Our club is trading well with April being a profitable month and ahead of 2017 figures.

Entertainment, the bottle shop and bar sales are in line with our budget and continue to provide quality products to our members and guests.

While we can forecast a profitable 2017/2018, we expect our future investment in cart sheds, golf course and bowling green improvements and further purchase of items like poker machine stools to impact on our net profit for this year.

The Board spent some considerable time with Karli Ford, our Finance Manager, discussing next year's budget. Karli and CEO David have prepared a budget for Board approval. This is now with Directors to peruse, refine if necessary and approve prior to the end of this financial year.

CLUB PROJECTS

The Directors and management team continue to work with Peter Hadlow to design and seek approval for the construction of a new cart shed. Approvals from The Department of Crown Lands is still pending and is a pre-requisite for Council approval.

We are also working with Peter Hadlow on extensions to the golf green keepers shed to improve drainage and provide better amenities and more room for David Hobday and his team.

CART PATHS

David Hobday and his team continue to construct cart paths for the use of our golfers and visitors. This is priority work for David, but it would not be possible without the generous financial assistance of the Vets Golf. The Board thanks them for their support.

BISTRO

Mat and Lauren continue to do well in the bistro, introducing fresh seafood to their range of meals. Many patrons have commented to me and other Directors that the food in the bistro is excellent.

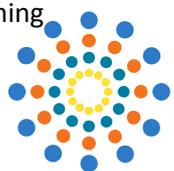
COFFEE SHOP

The additional coffee shop furniture we ordered has arrived in Australia and is on its way to the club. Hopefully this will be placed in the coffee shop area in the next few days.

We have had some issues with the coffee shop regarding staff turnover, losing some of our more experienced staff. Management have addressed this issue by recruiting some additional, specialised staff to work solely in the coffee shop. We expect this will result in consistently good coffee, snacks and light meals.

The Board have also approved the construction of a wall between the coffee shop and the gaming area. This will provide both visual and noise screening for coffee shop patrons.

We will also engage Mark Ellison to superimpose a mural on to the wall to add to its aesthetic appeal.



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INNER CLUB COMMITTEES

The Directors of the club and management discussed the amalgamation of the men's and women's bowls committees, and the men's and women's golf committees. We recognise that this is contentious but believe it will be a positive step in terms of efficiency of the operations of our two biggest sports.

Each of the committees will receive a letter in the coming weeks asking for feedback on this proposal.

HONOUR BOARDS

Our current honour boards, located above the main bar area, are rapidly running out of space. We will, in the coming months, introduce electronic honour boards for each sport. These electronic boards are basically large televisions with a rolling slide show depicting current champions, their photos and trophies and of course past champions in the various disciplines of the different sports.

BIG SCREEN

You will notice we have had the big screen moved for the western side of the club to the eastern side, closer to the golf room and coffee shop.

This was done to provide for better viewing of events such as rugby league and club raffle draws while freeing up the western area of the club for bands, and other entertainment.

PLASTIC REDUCTION CAMPAIGN

The Board have asked management to phase out as much plastic from our club as possible.

Plastic straws will be phased out, being replaced by paper straws. The latter are much more expensive, so some additional cost will be passed on to patrons who wish to use straws.

Other plastics, such as shopping bags and packaging will be reduced or phased out and we will use suppliers who have a reduced plastic policy as a preference.

STAFF

We welcome new staff member Michael Way to the club. However, sadly, Jacqui Grace has left us to relocate to Sydney and Siobhan is heading overseas again for several months. We wish them well.

CLUB MEMEBRSHIP

The Board approved the membership of 72 new members taking our total membership to 5282.

