



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ian Simpson Chairman

7th SEPTEMBER 2018

Greetings members and guests

Our regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held last Tuesday with the following items discussed being some points of interest.

FINANCE

The start of the new financial year has been sluggish in terms of turnover and revenue. However, this is the same trend each year at this time. We expect the business to get busier over the next few months particularly once the weather gets warmer and our facilities get used more.

FUTURE PLANNING

The Board and staff continue to prepare plans and proposals for new ventures and improvements to the club.

We will soon see a mural placed on the new wall in the coffee shop, we are getting quotes together for new carpet and we continue to work on a major refurbishment project in the club.

CLUB PROJECTS

Work on the new cart shed has commenced with the slab already poured. Some paths and bridgework will be completed next followed by the shed construction.

Extensions to the golf green keeper's shed to improve drainage and provide better amenities remains high on our priority list with continued discussions and planning taking place with our staff and Peter Hadlow.

POKER MACHINE STOOLS

The poker machine stools have been decided on and will be ordered shortly.

AIR CONDITIONING

Our air conditioning contractor advises that the replacement program for our current system is likely to take place in about May next year. This timeframe has been chosen as this is one of the more temperate months, with air-conditioning not being so vital.

CLUB MEMEBRSHIP

The Board approved the membership of 96 new members.

LIGHTS

Although not directly related to the Country Club, it was very pleasing to hear that Club Grants Category 3 and Kempsey Shire Council will jointly fund the replacement of the lights on the sporting fields. Many sports people who use those fields are members of our club and I am sure they will welcome the improvements.

The Board are hoping to negotiate with Council for the relocation of the existing lights to our tennis courts to provide those night players with better facilities.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Sunday, 28th October





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DROUGHT MUSTER

A reminder - Many of us have or have had connections with rural NSW and would be aware of the plight of our farmers at the moment.

There are many drought relief programs running and we, at SWRCC, are involved in the "Drought Muster". The club has already made a donation, but we are urging you, our members to also contribute. We ask that you go to reception, and, by donating \$20, you will buy a bale of hay to be delivered to the drought effected farmers.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Our Grade 5 Men's Pennant side have competed in and were runners up in the State Pennant playoffs. This event was held at Kiama and Warilla.

Congratulations to these guys who were outstanding, both on and off the greens. They proudly and very capably represented our club and received many accolades from opponents and organisers for there tenacity and sportsmanship. Not to mention their flash new bowls uniform.

Our "marquee" bowls event, The Trail Bay Classic Pairs, has been run and won, the winners being our head green keeper Mark Wilcher and his playing partner Kent "Super" Price

The Macleay Valley Veterans Week of Golf has also been run and won. This again was a highly successful event with the organising committee doing a great job again.

The SWRCC Golf Classic is being played today. Good luck to those participating in this event.

This event has a prize pool of \$4000.

CEO ROLE

Our CEO, David Cunningham, has recently been elected President of the Chamber of Commerce. This role will enable David to communicate more directly with other businesses in SWR and create programs of awareness, partnerships and joint ventures for the benefit of all participating businesses.

Also, David has provided an expression of interest to join the Economic Sustainability and Tourism committee of Kempsey Shire Council.

Both these roles will help David ensure that SWRCC is marketed well and contributes to the business community.

