



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ian Simpson Chairman

4TH AUGUST 2021

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, 3RD August, for their scheduled monthly meeting. Agenda items discussed by the Board and which may be of interest to members include;

FINANCE

July trading across all of our operational areas began very slowly. Clearly the Greater Sydney lockdown and the reduced number of visitors to the area impacted our club and the number of patrons using our facilities. Although members and some visitors took advantage of the fine weather and club facilities final figures for the month will be below budget.

However, on a more positive note, the club continues to be in a strong financial position and our end of financial year result will be very positive.

Our outdoor sporting venues are still driving income and patronage with the associated flow on to the club in general.

We are currently assessing our eligibility for the government's disaster relief package that may help the club and our employees financially.

CLUB PROJECTS

The Mid North Coast High Performance Centre, being built by Lipman Pty Ltd, has commenced with the foundation and drainage works, ground floor concrete slab and plumbing and electrical work being done. Club management and Directors have been involved in the continued planning and will have a role in consulting with the builders during construction. Some Directors recently travelled to Coffs Harbour to visit the international sports stadium (also built by Lipman P/L) to discuss final finish options and fit out of the stadium.

Club officials are currently in discussions with Council regarding management rights to the MNCHPC. This is a government and community funded project, but the club is involved heavily with the design and function of the stadium. If you have any questions please ask our CEO, David.

Some inconvenience may be experienced by members and visitors due the need for storage of equipment and materials adjacent to the site. This is unavoidable so please bear with us and the builders.

Work on the Greenkeeper's Shed continues as does the additional outdoor toilet for members use. The slab has been poured and the Board approved the construction of the remainder of the building works.

Planning for the implementation of the five-year plan to improve services, add new areas to the club and provide other commercial opportunities continues.

Our hotel concept planning continues. Council have completed the public display period for the DA and have now requested additional information before determination. Club officials will be meeting with Council this month to discuss this project further.

I again report that this is a work in progress and no final decisions have been made. Further information is available from our CEO, David Cunningham.

New cart path work continues with financial assistance from our golf members and visitor green fee contributions. This work is being done by our greens staff.

CATERING

Our new caterers have commenced operations, serving meals for special events only at this stage. The bistro is scheduled to open on Monday 9th August. The Board have sited the new menu and are pleased to see that there is a range of Asian and Australian meals available.





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Meals will still be available from the coffee shop or from Social Alley. The menu for the latter has been revised offering a range of burgers, hotdogs and seafood options as well as specialty shakes.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

34 new members were approved by the Board taking our total membership to 3090.

KIOSK

The Horseshoe Bay Kiosk has continued to trade well. The Board were pleased to see the kiosk making a profit in these quieter months.

\$5 MONDAYS

The club has commenced offering \$5 beers and selected wines on Mondays. We hope this generates patronage and support on our quietest day of the week.

CLUB GRANTS.

The Board approved a \$2200 grant for the major sponsorship of a black-tie Disability Glitz and Glamour Ball in October.

COVID GUIDELINES

The NSW Government regularly announce further changes to restrictions for club patrons. Members and guests are still required to follow instructions given to them by staff especially with regard to mask wearing and sign in procedures.

CLUB OPERATIONS UPDATE

The new courtesy bus is operational, running from Thursday to Saturday. You must wear a mask in the bus.

We have purchased some acoustic wall tiles to lessen the noise in the Social Alley dining space. Some wine barrels will arrive soon, courtesy of Treasury wines, to complement our balcony furniture.

Please remember to check your rocks rewards points. You can use these within the club or at some local businesses. If you have any questions, please see our staff at reception.

Don't forget the Interactive Trivia from 5.45pm on Thursdays and club raffles on Thursdays and Sundays.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on **31st OCTOBER 2021**. Notices will be sent out in the coming months.

There will be vacancies for Director positions.

NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS OPEN ON 16TH AUGUST AND CLOSE ON 6TH SEPTEMBER.

David Cunningham and I will be providing one on one advisory/discussion sessions for potential Directors on **TUESDAY 17TH**, **THURSDAY 19TH AUGUST** and, **TUESDAY 24TH AUGUST** from **4pm**.

Potential Directors should make an appointment within those timeframes with Faye Jarman by ringing reception or by email - faye@rockscountryclub.com.au

MANY THANKS

The Central North Coast ladies golf tournament has just finished and by all reports it was a great success. A huge thankyou to our lady golfers for their the organisation, our greens staff and the many volunteers from the men's and vet's golf who worked on the course prior to the event.

