



# CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Barry Rumbel – Chairman

## June 2023

Here we are again, the time is just flying by. The June meeting was held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June with all Directors present.

### Finances

The Club's finances are continuing to hold strong even though costs are increasing with wages and interest rates on the move upwards. We need to be vigilant and make sure we stay on top of all rising costs. It can very quickly get away from you. In the next few months, we may have to look at prices of all items we sell.

Gaming is continuing to hold good numbers, with Lauren Oates now in charge we expect things to remain solid. Lauren is also now looking after Social Alley and we are sure she will do a great job.

It has been confirmed that electronic voting will be introduced at this year's AGM, so expect notifications showing how it will operate to be sent to all. As I said last month, if you wish to vote in a conventional manner it will be possible.

The end of the financial year is upon us so check that your memberships are up to date, and you have spent your points on your card, as they cannot be carried over to next year.

### Club Projects

As you are probably aware the pool table has been moved near the old coffee shop area. This will be monitored closely and if it is not patronised it will be moved back downstairs again. Those of you who wanted it upstairs had better, make use of it or it will be gone. On the list of things to be done is new furniture in the view lounge. Dave C. and Danielle will be going to Sydney in the next few weeks and will make enquiries into what is available. If we can get this item completed the Club will be starting to look as we envisaged, it should look.

Linsay has the GYM running well, and membership has almost doubled since we first purchased it. This is proof we made a good decision to take on a completely new venture for the Club.

The Kiosk is still showing good margins but is showing some drop in trade due to Council's road works making parking difficult for patrons. It is still a good money spinner so we will just have to ride out the inconvenience of progress.



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Golf, men and ladies, are continuing to set good numbers. We are seeing an upturn in new members with the give golf a go, helping with this. The course is in great shape for this time of year, and Dave Hobday and his crew are to be congratulated for this. They are putting in a big effort right now, getting the ninth cart path well along the way to completion. As I have been reiterating for months, the benefits of this particular project will be seen by all including the numbers at the Club. This is a very well used access to all venues. Thanks again to the Vets Club, Men's Golf and the Ladies Golf for their financial support to get this project to the stage it is at the moment. Thank you.

Our new Pro, Kieran, and family are doing well and are getting the Pro Shop to where it needs to be. We will see the results of their efforts in the coming months, I am sure.

The Greens committee has met and genuine requests for improvements are always welcome and seriously considered. Keep up the good work.

Social Alley is a continuing winner, with finance numbers still up there close to last year. Now we have Lauren in the chair, I am sure she will come up with some good promotions to keep things moving. There is already some in the pipeline.

The men's and ladies' bowls are continuing to struggle, but with a little push from a good hard-working committee, we hope to see an improvement next month. The Directors Day is booked for Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June and good participation is being looked for and expected.

Pickle Ball has commenced on the tennis courts and to my knowledge is fitting in well. Please keep up the communication between yourselves and the tennis club managers so we don't have any problems. The Tennis group are one of our best inner clubs for minimal problems and we want to keep it this way.

The AGM has been scheduled for the 29<sup>th</sup> of October and as it is an election year, please put some thought into it if anyone wishes to become a member of the board, they will need to nominate before 4pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August. We are always looking for some new blood, so give it some serious consideration.

All in all, the Club is trading well and should have a strong finish to the financial year.

So, let's continue to support the board and management to make it the best little Club on the coast.

That's it for this month, see you in the Club.

Barry Rumbel

Chairman