

March 2025

Financials

A modest result financially for the month of February, with trading figures continuing to improve from last financial year. Beverage and Golf remain strong with increases in income, gaming was slightly down however improvements have been made within the area to promote growth. We are also looking at solutions to make the outdoor area warmer throughout the Winter months.

Our Club Grants program has been able to support the South West Rocks Community Art Gallery with replacing the carpet within the building, South West Rocks Pre-School Sun Smart Initiative and SWR Cricket Club. There are still some funds available in the Category 1 and Category 2 budget that will end shortly. Applications for Club Grants can be found on www.clubgrants.com.au

Memberships renewals will open before the end of April, and this year we are able to offer direct debit payment plans for golfing subscriptions via 'Pay as you Golf', More information will follow.

The Board and Management Team are evaluating the dormant space within the stadium to identify possible uses in the hope to make the area income generating, consultation is being undertaken with the Council and key stakeholders presently.

Our Annual Charity Golf Day allowed us to raise just under \$10,000, with funds donated to Ovarian Cancer and \$1,000 to the Samaritans Kempsey and support group for Domestic and Family Violence.

We are proud members of the Macleay Valley Liquor Accord supporting the incentives to **SAY NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.**

If you are in urgent need of assistance, call 000. The NSW Domestic Violence line for information, support and help call 1800 65 64 63.

Golf

As we transition into April, we reflect on a challenging March for golfers, marked by persistent wet weather and the remnants of a cyclone. While conditions were less than ideal for play, we are pleased to report that our Greens team has made significant strides in maintaining the course. Despite some greens undergoing renovation, we anticipate their return to peak condition, and we are excited for what lies ahead.

Recently, we had the pleasure of hosting representatives from TaylorMade and Ping, who showcased their latest QI35 and G440 range of clubs. These innovations represent some of the most accurate equipment available, and we encourage everyone to take a closer look when they return later this year.

In our commitment to enhancing your golfing experience, we have invested in fitting equipment from Callaway and Ping. This initiative allows you to try the latest clubs without the initial investment, providing a fantastic opportunity to see how these advanced tools can improve your game.

Looking ahead, we are excited for the final round of the Monday League, where defending champions, The Divots, are in a tight race with newcomers, the Mulligan Munchers. It promises to be an exhilarating conclusion to the season.

Additionally, the MNC Pennants have commenced, and our four divisions have shown remarkable resilience, even amidst rain-affected matches. To stay updated on our teams and their results, please visit the Mid North Coast Golf webpage.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for our club. We look forward to seeing you on the course!



What's a golfer's favorite type of music?

Swing music!



Events / Entertainment / Promotions

Mid March saw an enjoyable "Irish Weekend". With Tallowood Bush Band playing Irish tunes and we kept up with the \$7.50 Guinness Pints & Pies all weekend.

As we head into the Easter School Holidays, we have lots of entertainment events happening for all ages. This month we are bringing back 3 piece band 'Double Shot' on Friday 11th April & soloist Graham Howle on Good Friday 18th April. Speaking of Good Friday, we will have Seafood Raffles on again this year, a big thankyou to Balls Butchery for providing the freshest Seafood.

We have the kids sorted all holidays with Social Alley Tenpin Bowling open from 10am til late everyday, Kids Bingo on Mondays & Wednesdays, Kids Easter Disco Party with Pepparific Parties on Tuesday 15th April 5pm - 7pm in Social Alley and finally of course the Easter Egg Raffle on Sunday 13th April 2pm!

Anzac 2up will also take place on Friday 25th April 2pm in the BBQ Terrace.

Members Promotion! We all know how much you enjoyed the Members 20k Christmas Giveaway late last year, so we are bringing to you a NEW Members Promotion at the start of June 2025. Keep your eyes peeled as we announce the new promo soon!



Bowls

Pennants is nearly at the end of it's season with 2 rounds to go in each Grade. Our 7s are having a brilliant season, sitting atop of section 2.

We had our first tournament of the year on the 1st April, with 20 teams competing. We loved seeing some spectators come on down and watch some great Bowls. We had teams from Coffs Harbour all the way down to Nelson's Bay attending. Congratulations to all our players of the day.

Coming up soon we have State Inter Regions with Michael Howard selected in the Seniors Mens side and Margo Parker selected in the Open Ladies side, we wish them both good-luck.

It's not long now until the new season kicks off and if your thinking about taking up Bowls or coming down socially for a roll. We have you covered, come and see Jae in the Bowls office and we will get you started, it's a game for all ages and abilités..

SWR Probus Wine Appreciation Dinner

On Saturday 29th March, Rock Salt paired a menu with Treasury Wine Estates & Wynn Wines for South West Rocks Probus Wine Appreciation Dinner, which was “an amazing night of fun, friendship, exceptional food and great wine” - Marg M.

We are looking forward to continue working with Probus to hold events that bring our community together.



Social Alley

School Holidays is near and Social Alley will be opening from 10am til late everyday.

On Tuesday 15th April 5pm, we will be holding a Kids Easter Disco Party with Pepparific Parties. Music, Dancing, Balloons, Games, Easter Bunny Visit & a Scavenger Hunt! FREE event.

We have just introduced our Easter cocktail specials for the month... and they are definitely a must try! Bunnys Sunday, Apple Pie & Cottontail Margarita.

We had our first Phantom League Presentation of the year on Wednesday night. Congratulations to all 26 players. Stay tuned for our next Phantom League start date after the School Holidays.

We all know how much you loved Social Alley Burgers, so watch this space too, as there's something coming quite soon!

Staff Spotlight

Congratulations to our February Employee of the Month ~ Mick Jolly!

Since joining the South West Rocks Country Club Pro Shop, Mick has consistently gone above and beyond. Mick's impressive handyman skills have proven invaluable, as he always steps up to tackle any challenge with a positive attitude and a solution-orientated mindset.

Thankyou for your hard work and dedication, Mick! Enjoy your well deserved \$100 voucher at Rock Salt

