

# PIN HIGH

## Newsletter

### MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Members,

The extended period of fine weather has been interrupted by the inevitable winter rains. This is good news for the course however has reduced golfing numbers and the ability to have carts on the course over recent weeks. We appreciate the members patience as maintaining the course standard and balancing the ability for carts to be used can be a challenge. This time next the year the drainage will have been installed on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and the 18th holes and will allow greater flexibility for cart use and a better playing surface for golfers to enjoy.

We are still working on the toilet project we received the grant for. Our initial DA application was declined and there was a request for the toilet to be located in a different position to what was submitted along with some additional items to ensure approval. Management have met with council and believe we have come to an agreement. We hope to see the DA now approved allowing for works to be commenced in the next few months.

I am very pleased to report a successful year for the Club. Increased revenue, social membership, patronage to the live entertainment resulting in increases in Bar, Gaming and Food Sales. Golf has been steady and we continue to work on course improvements when the weather allows. The DA for the outdoor balcony adjacent to the 1st tee and the

18th green has been submitted and we are waiting to hear back from council on approval. Management are reviewing plans for a bar upgrade and are liaising with a structural engineer for the possible removal of the two pylons in the members lounge. These items are consistent with our three year strategic plan which a summary is available on the front page of the Clubs website.

Thank you to all those who attended the Joshua Brown and Wes Bourne charity days last month. Both events were well

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patronised and there were positive outcomes for benefiting parties. We continue to watch Jordie Garners progress with interest on his current

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY MAY 2019

	ACTUAL	LAST YEAR	VARIANCE
Clubhouse Revenue	\$504,456	\$390,008	\$114,448
Golf Revenue	\$211,760	\$204,583	\$7,177
Other Income	\$18	\$130	\$(112)
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$716,234</b>	<b>\$594,721</b>	<b>\$121,513</b>
<b>NET PROFIT</b>	<b>\$6,488</b>	<b>\$(18,880)</b>	<b>\$25,368</b>

Dear Members,

The end of the financial year is fast approaching and I am pleased to report that May has seen a growth in revenue and an improvement in profit on last years May. All areas of the business contributed to this result and we are at a year to date profit of \$321,000.

We have been promoting a number of live music events in July to offer entertainment and ensure continued patronage of the Club. We have been fortunate with good golfing weather through May and June and at the time of writing this report we have experienced our first extended period of rain which has impacted on golf and the ability to allow carts on the course.

We are in the middle of annual fee payment season and I would like to thank all Members for the contributions and patronage to the Club. We have some exciting plans over the next 12 months and we look forward to the implementation.

Scott Armstrong  
General Manager

golfing journey. Updates are available on our Facebook site and thank you to those who have supported Jordie on this trip.

Scott Armstrong  
GENERAL MANAGER

## CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Welcome to my Captains report.

It's great to see continual improvement happening on our course. Labour intensive gardens are being removed but aesthetic low maintenance gardens are being retained. Problematic bunkers are being renovated ensuring improved drainage and playability. The theme of the match committee, is anytime we are doing course works, the GUR relief options will be generous. Golf is hard enough and is a game, so if we are doing work, the player won't be disadvantaged.

Fantastic news this month with Jan Stephenson being inducted into the World Golfing Hall of Fame. In her acceptance speech Jan gave Tuggerah Lakes Golf Club / Shelly Beach Golf Club a nice mention as the place she began her golf. Jan is truly a worthy recipient of such honour.

Jordie Garner is continuing his overseas schedule and gaining invaluable experience along the way. We wish him well as he crosses the globe from Europe to the US.

As discussed at our recent strategic planning session, your match committee are looking at ways to modernise the game of golf to meet today's demands. We are looking at rejigging a time honoured tradition of a Friday Chook Run!

For those too young to remember, years ago most clubs had a nine hole competition midweek which the prizes were traditionally frozen chicken hence the term chook run. Whilst our prizes will be vouchers, we are confident a nine hole Friday competition will be popular for those who maybe cannot play 18 holes in the week and want to sneak in some competition play in a shorter version of the game. We are thinking the price point be \$10, but as a bonus, 100% of that money will be returned to the competitors, than being every competitor will get a drink voucher to the value of \$5 and the remaining \$5 will go to the prize pool with 100% returned to the competitors. Stay tuned for further details.

Our Masters team finished off the year with a narrow loss to Breakers at Breakers and ran second in the Division to a strong Wyong team. However next year we have some strong 50 year

old 'rookies' breaking through, so look out 2020!

The match committee and greens committee will be working together over the next few months to cater for the drainage works to be conducted on the first, eighteenth, second and third fairway. Good planning will ensure minimal disruption.

July is a relatively quiet month in terms of major events, but the keen golfers will be using the time to sharpen their game leading to our major events. In August we have our two day Greg Chalmers Classic followed by Men's Foursomes Championships.

And finally our thoughts and prayers go to Warren Anderson who is battling severe illness in hospital after recent heart surgery. Warren is in critical condition in Intensive Care at RNS private hospital. Warren dedicated countless hours to our club in the role of Board member, President and Captain. He has been acknowledged for such work by being awarded life member status. We wish him well and pray for a speedy recovery.

Peter Sliwinski  
CAPTAIN

## MOANERS NEWS

Not a great deal to report for the month of June as there were no major Moaners events played.

Due to the Greg Chalmers Junior Classic being held on Sunday 4 August 2019 at Shelly Beach, the Committee has arranged a bus trip to Cypress Lakes for The Moaners. The cost is \$85.00 per player, which includes golf and shared cart, along with the bus trip to and from the course.

To ensure the success of this trip, payment is required no later than June 30, 2019, when a decision will be made whether or not to downsize the bus. Please either pay any committee person \$85 by 30 June or by direct debit into the moaners account using your name as a reference.

Winners for June were Clinton Jones with a Net 72 on 2/6 (Monthly Medal), Tim James 40pts 9/6, the mad carrot (Matty Garrett) 38pts on 16/6 and Ross Baillie 39pts (or was it Russell Fleeton?) 23/6.

Happy Golfing.

Brett Phillpot  
MOANERS PRESIDENT

## FROM THE LADIES DESK

May held the qualifier the Golf NSW Women's Ambrose event. While the format has changed slightly, this is still a very popular event with the ultimate prize being to play & stay, at the state finals at Bonville. Shelly Beach fielded enough ladies to have two qualifying teams move onto the next round. Jo Spears & Cathy Stolz, with Di Hoschke & Rhonda Magner. They will represent Shelly Beach in the next round. Good Luck Ladies!

The month culminated with the annual Ladies Foursomes Championships held on Wednesday 29th. Through their passion for our club and amazing generosity, the Foursomes event is supported by several of our lady members. Without this assistance the event would not be the huge success it is. On behalf of all the ladies, it is with great appreciation that we thank... Our Gold Supporter, ETS Express Timber Solutions, Sue & Scott Wilcockson. Silver Supporter, A&G Beaumont Design & Build, Chris & Alan Beaumont. Bronze Supporter, Berkeley Vale Laundrette, Jen & Lance Jones.

The Foursomes is an "Honour Board" event, with 27 holes to play. It's a long hard fought day. Our division 1 Champions with a 6 shot lead were Jeanette Arkins & Jude Tarren, {130} ahead of Ann Baker & Cathy Stolz {C/B 136}. Third place, Kim Burke & Jenny Abrahams {136}. Fourth place going to Jill MacPherson & Di Hoschke {138}.



While the division 1 nett winners Kerry Howell & Sue Galton {114} won on a count back from Maree Hickey & Wendy Stapleton {114}. Third place, Yvonne Bean & Dawn Laing {115}. Fourth going to Marilyn Armstrong & Kerry Davidson {117.75}.



Division 2, and what a fairy tale ending! These two ladies have been playing together for 6 years in attempt to bring home this trophy, and as the scores aren't displayed for this event they had to wait anxiously until presentation to hear the results. A huge congratulations to our division 2 Champions Sonia Haggerty &

Roz Evatt {153} coming in 2 shot winners over Robyn Tweed & Robyn Ray {156}. Third place Ally Jones & Rosie Moore {157}. Fourth place going Margaret Oakley & Cathy Garner {158}.



The Division 2 nett winners were Lee Clements & Di Ratjens {110.75} with the runners up Barbara Stone & Kay McBriar {117.75}. Third place going to Marie Anderson & Heather Harvey {119.5} Fourth place, Jo Scott & Kathryn Dean {119.75}.



The weather is starting to get just a little chilly with the odd bit of precipitation! Not to be deterred, 18 of our die hard ladies took to the course for the June medal round. While there was only 1 division for prizes, please remember there will always be a monthly medal awarded for all 3 divisions. Going through to the gold medal play off in November, Division 1 Rosalie Anecchini, Division 2 Jen Siegel, Division 3 Sue Bendeich.

The Challenge Cup was held at Gosford Golf Club on Sunday 16th of June. S.B.G.C was represented by Yvonne Bean {Div 1} who partnered Ray Sundstrum, Moira Shoveller {Div 2} who partnered? and Donna Pike {Div 3} who partnered Steve Gray. Shelly played well finishing second to home club Gosford.

A change to the program book..... July 24th. While we thank the very Generous George for all his support over the past 7 years, we now have a new supporter for 2019. The Event this year will be: "Ski Adventures" by Heather Robilliard. The theme for the day, in keeping with the cold is Snow Bunnies! There will be a warming cocktail from our barman Nathan and something special on the ladies lunch menu from chef Daniel. "Ski Adventures" inspired of course. Ladies gather your teams and dust off your best Bunny outfits.

Happy Golfing!

Jennifer Siegel  
LADIES PRESIDENT

## COURSE UPDATE

### WEATHER

The rainfall for June 2019 was 187mm. The average rainfall in June in this region is 146mm which is the highest for any month. The year to date total is 643.5mm compared to the 6 month average of 712mm. The Bureau of Meteorology climate outlook for May-July 2019 are for warmer than average days and nights. The forecast of drier days could bring more cloud free nights increasing the chance of frosts in susceptible areas.

### GREENS

The tasks scheduled for greens in the month of July are as follows;

- Verti-cut and dust with appropriate sand.
- Apply Intercept (Ethephon). This product is part of SBGC Poa annua management plan. Ethephon is a contraceptive treatment for the prevention of seed head emergence of Wintergrass (Poa annua).
- Hollow ninja tines to reduce thatch and improve water movement.

### GARDENS AND NATIVE AREAS

The areas that have been cleared of low vegetation that are in play will be turfed with Kikuyu in the month of July/August.

1. Alongside 2nd green side bunkers. This will be turfed at the same time as the bunkers undergo re-construction.
2. In front of 6th tee.
3. In front of 14th tee.

The ongoing areas to be cleared are;

1. Between 2nd middle tee and 1st apron.
2. Continue around and in front of the 9th tees.
3. Western side of 16th tee path. Irrigation line/sprinklers will be install in this location in August 2019.
4. In August, the plant growth along the eastern side of holes 5 and 6 will be trimmed to expose the out of bounds markers.

### CAPITAL

The capital projects scheduled for July are;

- 1) 11th green side bunker re-construction. This project commenced in June and is scheduled to be completed by the end of July 2019 weather permitting.
  - a) Front left bunker- Half of the bunker will be filled in (northern end) and the shape will change to a pot style bunker. The bunker base will be shelled out and drainage installed. The water will be transported via pipes to the existing drainage sump located front right of the green. A bunker matting will be installed to help keep the sand on the bunker face during wet weather as well as segregate the natural sand/clay to the imported white sand. The height differential between turf surface and bunker base will remain the same.

- b) Back bunker - This bunker will be divided into two separate pot style bunkers. As with the front bunker, drainage will be installed as well as cloth and new sand. The existing height between base and green surface will not change.

- 2) 2nd Green side bunkers and surround. This bunker reconstruction is scheduled to start in July/August and be completed in August. As with the 11th bunkers, the size and shape will change. The existing bunkers will be re-constructed into 4 pot style bunkers. The differential between turf surface and bunker base will not change. The same process described above about the 11th bunkers will be carried out on these bunkers. The front 3 bunkers will drain into the existing drainage sump located in front of the bunkers, whilst the back bunker will drain into the existing drainage sump located at the rear of the green. The green surround on the western side (between green and 3rd tee) will be re-shaped and turfed during this time.

### CART USE

Just a reminder, can we keep golf carts off the tees and at least 10 metres away from the greens. If this is adhered to, the playing surfaces around the greens and tees would improve significantly.

Andrew Banning  
COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

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