

Chairman's Report

For the year ending 30th June 2024

Ladies and Gentlemen.

I am pleased to report that the year ending 30/6/2024 was again a highly successful year in every aspect of the Clubs operations. Peter Taylor our Treasurer/Finance Director will give you details of our financial performance in his report.

At the end of last financial year Shane Davidson decided to stand down from the Board so that he had the time to accompany and support his son as one of the best ten pin bowlers in Australia in his tournaments. Shane's contribution at Board level was highly valued and his expertise will be missed but we wish him and his son every success. In October we opened the nominations for directors' positions and there were nine nominations for nine positions and therefore, all have been elected unopposed. John Tilton joins the Board as a new director while Graham Nelson has stepped down as Club Captain but remains on the Board as a general director. Shannon Murnane has served under Graham on the Match Committee and is taking over as the new Captain.

As at 30th June 2024 we had 740 financial playing golfers on our books, the vast majority of whom renewed their memberships. Every year we lose a number of members due to various reasons and I am pleased to report that we are picking up new playing members every month and we are well on target to increase our membership by the end of this financial year.

During the year we upgraded our furniture, fittings, plant and equipment in the Club house for the convenience of our members and their guests as well as upgraded our course infrastructure throughout the year. As reported in previous years we have been planning to upgrade the car park and buggy storage facilities adjacent to the Club house, but unfortunately the Council had issues with the proposed plans and their effect on tree roots. We have therefore, withdrawn the development application and sent it back to our planners so that they can incorporate the issues raised by council. We plan to resubmit the application soon. Cart paths remain a high priority for this coming financial year

We held a strategic planning session during the year and part of the process was a review of our earlier plans and I am pleased to report that we have completed all of the works previously identified. We have decided to do a complete review of the course so that we can incorporate a comprehensive plan for the course and its facilities over the next 20 or so years. This will include new cart storage areas as well as car parking and possibly new facilities such as putt putt course, play and stay accommodation, practice areas and simulated golf systems.

Throughout the year we get lots of positive feedback from visitors to the Course and the Club. They not only comment on the quality of the course but also on the friendly efficient staff that we have in every area. I have said it in the past and I will say it again today, we are blessed with the core of staff that work here, they are friendly and welcoming to all that come here.

In closing I would like to thank all of the members of the Women's and Veterans committees for their work throughout the year as well as all of the volunteers that help out in our working bees. I would also like to thank all of the Board members for their commitment to the Club, there is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes that you may not be aware of but the directors are committed to acting at all times in the interest of members and they do it all without fear or favour of any interest groups.

Wayne Kendrigan

Chairman