



Newsletter 2021/2

May 27th 2021

From the President

As many of you will have heard already, our Greens Superintendent, Todd McNamee, has tendered his resignation. His last day at Cooroy will be Thursday 17th June. He will be taking up the position of Greens Superintendent at Mt Coolum. Todd has been at Cooroy for a little over 3 years and has transformed the course in that brief time. He will be sorely missed but we wish him all the best in his new position and his future career progression. The process to find a suitable replacement has begun already.

GemLife have decided to proceed with appealing the Noosa Council's decision to turn down their development application and have lodged a Notice of Appeal with the Planning and Environment Court on 23rd April. They expect that the process will take about 12 months to run its course.

Regards,
Greg Michael.

Finance Director

The position of Finance Director is still vacant. If any member with an appropriate business, accounting, finance or similar background would like to contribute to the management of the Club and fill the position temporarily until the November AGM then please let Wayne or a Management Committee member know.

Volunteers

The volunteers induction program is now in place and our dedicated team of volunteers are back on the course and in our gardens. The teams of volunteers enjoy contributing to the Club, the companionship of working together and a complimentary cold drink and chat in the club house afterwards.

If any other members wish to contribute then please contact Wayne or the Volunteers Coordinator, Peter Piggott.

Wayne's World

The bar is upgrading its wine offerings and will now be stocking reds and whites from Taylors Estate Wines. A weekly raffle, drawn each Saturday, will be run with the prize being two bottles of Taylors wines. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5, purchased at the bar.

Also, courtesy of long-time member Phil Giblett and Buttercups Cooroy, the bar will now be offering a range of muffins and cakes. So please indulge and enjoy a treat with your coffee from now on.



The arrangement that CGC had with Titleist has now ended and members should soon see an expanded range of golf balls, accessories and brand-name products in the pro-shop.

Todd's Turf Talk

The post-and-rail fence adjacent to the 16th tee is now complete. The purpose of the fence is to make the view of the course more appealing from both the course itself and for members of the public passing by on Myall St.



The renovation of the ladies 17th tee is complete and the tee is now in play in time for the Ladies Cooroy Open next week. Work on the ladies 3rd tee will begin soon.

Work will also begin soon on the upgrade of around 400m of cart paths. Concrete will be used in critical areas but the majority of the new path surface will consist of plastic gravel-filled mesh. Members who have played at other courses (Nambour and Gympie for example) should be familiar with this construction method.

Men's and Women's Golf

Women's Golf

Nominations are now closed for the Cooroy Ladies Open Day and Tuesday 1st June will see a full field of 96 ladies from clubs all over the Sunshine Coast hit off in a shot-gun start on a course in tip-top condition and (hopefully) in glorious Qld winter weather. Sponsors for the event include: Live Life Pharmacy (Adina watches) and Cooroy Country Wear and Jeanery.

The single match-play qualification round will be held in conjunction with the Monthly Medal on Thursday 3rd June.

The 4BBB pairs match-play playoffs are currently underway and the progress results can be seen on the women's noticeboard.

Men's Golf

The Crawford Cup pairs match-play playoffs are currently underway and the progress results can be seen on the men's noticeboard.

As a result of the cancellation of the April Monthly Medal due to wet weather, the Men's Golf Committee has drafted a policy for dealing with wet-weather competition cancellation. This policy has been posted on the men's noticeboard.

Congratulations to George Giblett who set a new course record of 67 last Saturday during the Monthly Medal competition. (Wayne says the challenge is now on.)

Staff

Our Course Superintendent, Todd, has resigned and the search for a suitable replacement has begun. In the interim period Brendan O'Brien will be taking on the

extra duties of supervising the greens staff. We will be down one staff member during this time so please be tolerant of the level of course maintenance.

Fortunately, reduced mowing demands during the winter weather will help.

The Club has now appointed a new green-keeping apprentice: Ayden Hampton. Please make him feel welcome.

Membership

CGC membership numbers now stand at 431.

Membership renewal notices have been sent out and hopefully most members will renew. However, if past trends continue, we can expect a drop in membership numbers of about 10%.