

## Club Bargara Newsletter

Over the last two months the positive pattern of progress at Club Bargara has continued.

After our traditional slower January and February financial results have returned to solid profit gains. April has shown a profit of \$9,366 which brings our year to date profit to \$122,662. This is an increase of \$88,218 on last year and takes into account additional salaries for bar and bistro staff to replace a previous manager. This continued improvement can be attributed to

- Appointment of a General Manager to take charge of all club operations
- An energetic and friendly staff that focus on quality service
- Responding to members feedback

and

- A proactive and positive Board

Feedback from visitors and increased patronage of our Club support this approach. Club members are the beneficiaries of these efforts.

As our bottom line improves, further improvements as suggested by members are made possible. In the Clubhouse, a children's area is being provided, noise absorbent tiles are soon to be installed on the ceiling and along with curtains acoustics will improve. Murchies Constructions have been appointed to carry out high priority remedial works on the Club House structure at a cost of \$173,000 and works will start soon and covering of the front deck is at quote stage. A reconfiguration of the kitchen to accommodate more staff to provide additional meals is at planning stage and will be implemented as funds permit.

The process of attracting a strategic partner to develop our clubhouse site remains an ongoing process. With the resolution of the Jewel Development, the Club is ideally placed for future opportunities of this nature.

As outlined in previous newsletters the Course Master Plan is nearing completion. After an evaluation and costing process this will be available for members to review. An opportunity to meet the course architect and discuss development proposals will be arranged during this process.

Water remains the key to successful playing surfaces. A recent submission to Keith Pitt for a grant to assist with increasing our water storage is awaiting a decision. Proposals to improve Moneys Lagoon and further enhance water availability through a BMRG submission also await a decision by the State Government. Investigation of Council effluent as a further water source in the future continue. At present there is no pipeline from the Rubyana Treatment Plant which provides water at the quality we need for the course to Bargara. The Board will continue to monitor this situation.

It is with regret we accept the unexpected resignation of Board Member Andrew Bainbridge. Unfortunately his employer considered his position as a Board Member a conflict of interest which led to his premature resignation. His contribution was valued and

highly respected by fellow Board Members. The Board will seek to fill this vacancy as soon as possible. On a positive note we welcome Damian Botha as a new Board member as a replacement for Chris Wake who resigned earlier.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of most country golf clubs. Without their efforts many would not survive. At Club Bargara we are blessed with many who give their time unselfishly to support our Club. This was evident again at the Qld Women's Country Week Championships held at our Club. As a Board we will recognise these efforts with a function later in the year for all club volunteers.

Other developments:

- New club shirts for members are being designed and will be available for members comments in the near future.
- Competition and green fees for all membership levels and visitors has now been clarified. They are displayed on the club noticeboard and available in the pro-shop.
- Annual subscriptions will be posted to members soon.
- The Green's Committee would like to advise all players to take notice of correct bunker etiquette. A notice will be posted by the Men's Match Committee with photos to remind us of how a bunker rake should be left after use.

Club Bargara Board