



GOLF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

June 2018

From the Course

Salvinia management

- Due to current unavailability of Salvinia eating weevils from Rous Water, management of Salvinia weed in the fresh water lake system is being done through shore based spraying of applicable registered chemicals. Possible build-up in the weevil population left over from previous Salvinia infestations is being monitored by green staff.

Greens management through winter

- As winter is a time when our greens are particularly vulnerable to pests and disease, green staff will be tining the greens during June (with 8mm needle tines) to help preserve root health, and the generally excellent current condition of our greens. The tining work will have minimal impact on the playability of greens.

Installation of a decorative fountain on the 1st hole

- A decorative fountain has been installed by green staff in the lake system short of the 1st green and members comments seem to be very favourable. The cost was met from a most generous bequest from the Fraser family.

Project work in progress

- As we have entered the dormant season and pressures of course mowing have eased, several course projects are being, or are about to be progressed, including: ongoing stump and tree root removal and preparation works for rehabilitation of 250 metres of the cart path on the 11th hole; general tee improvements; repairs to bare fairway areas; and, site preparation for installation of covered teeing bays on the bottom practice range.

Golf Operations

Practice facility improvements

- Improvement works on the practice facility between the 2nd and the 7th holes began on 4 June. The covered teeing bays should be under construction by the time this newsletter has been issued. However, improvement works to the chipping green and surrounds, and to the practice bunker have been held over pending a minor review, and (if required), a rescheduling of maintenance priorities by the greens superintendent.
- It is important that members be aware that while the new covered teeing bays will be used as a teaching facility by our club professional Chris Graham, all golfing members will be entitled to use the new facilities.

End of financial year sale

- The annual EOFY sale is underway in the pro shop and will continue until 30 June.

Insurance

- All members are reminded that the Club's insurance policy provides coverage for personal and property damage from balls going out of bounds. However, it greatly facilitates the insurance process for the Club, if members report to the pro shop all incidences of balls going out of bounds (OB), when there has been even a remote chance of damage to person or property. Such reports need to include the location of the OB incident, and the time the incident occurred.