

## Incoming President Address to 2019 AGM

Gentleman,

I am pleased to be re-elected as the President of your Golf Committee. I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the year ahead.

I am not dissuaded by the lack of nominations for the Committee but see that as a challenge to find new ways to provide you with the level of service you deserve. I would like to congratulate Adam Zakarauskas and Dean Myers on their election to the Committee.

I fully understand that in this modern era it is difficult to make a time commitment to something like this Committee but I am confident that we can call on your services as the need may arise

Already we have received support from Mick Murray to continue in his previous Committee role to contact new members to ensure they assimilate into the KCC golfing community. Bruce Forbes has agreed to continue in his role to act as a conduit with the Mens Vets Committee to ensure that there is a consistency with the respective service to those men who are eligible to join the Vets but are still integral to our membership.

Also Noel Burnett who has served on this Committee for 10 years has accepted to act as the Coordinator of the Mixed Classic which is the major Fund Raiser for the Junior Fund.

As the need arises throughout the year, various members will be called on for their support.

It is important that all Members have the opportunity to bring forward problems or issues that impact on their golfing experience at KCC. All that is asked is that in doing so it is as constructive feedback that we can work together to resolve such matters rather than unwarranted criticism that serves no purpose.

Over the last few years the role of the Treasurer has changed significantly and will do so again when the Voucher system will be replaced. The opportunity to improve the management of our finances by centralising them within the LUSC Finance department will be reviewed. The work undertaken by Graeme Morgan over the last few years has had a positive influence on the systems in place today and provides a solid platform to move ahead.

Similarly the role of Secretary has evolved particularly with the introduction of electronic communications. Discussions will take place with KCC management for a centralised database for MGC communications that will be accessible to them and provide a historical base for future Committees.

A key measure of the role of MGC is to provide you the Members with an extensive Program of Events and to emphasis this a survey will be circulated in the November Newsletter to seek your feedback, that can be utilised in the 2020 Fixture book, that has to be compiled by end of the year.

Early in the new year Captain Allan will introduce the New World Handicapping System that in essence will have little effect on your golfing experience. It will happen behind the scenes and be reflected in your Golfink numbers. The opportunity to re-rate the course and individual holes will also take place.

The Golfing Newsletter will continue to be the primary source of information to the Members. There is some concern that Members are not receiving this due to not updating their contact information. If you are aware of any Members not receiving such communication please encourage them to

contact the KCC Office. Each of you should also check that your phone details are correct in the Fixture Book before it goes to print for next year.

An important issue for this 2020 Committee will be to review and introduce new computer systems proposed by LUSC / KCC that will be of considerable benefit to this Committee in undertaking the front end of the competitions noted in the Captain Report, as well as efficiency benefits to the Pro Shop operation. Also, you as Members will be provided with a greater level of information as to competition results and transfer of vouchers direct to your Member cards. Your support to introduce this will be appreciated.

From the various presentations made here today you will be more aware that this Committee relies on others in the Golfing Community to provide Members with a total service.

This Committee will continue to represent the Members' interests and concerns within the Golfing Community to ensure that your golfing experience is the best possible consistent with financial and practical restraints.

The Committee is aware of the concerns of the Members with the financial viability of KCC which have been addressed here today. Notwithstanding that, the need for greater financial transparency will be ongoing. Ultimately all members need to look for ways of contributing to the success of KCC whether it be by their own participation in competitions and to promote membership to others.

The involvement of volunteers at KCC cannot be underestimated and this will have a significant impact to the ongoing development of the golf course.

Let us know how you want to make a contribution be it in a technical or hands on role with working bees.

Members should be confident that there are many people involved in providing you with a Golf Course under constant improvement. Specifically, the updated Master / 5 Year Plan managed by the Course Beautification Committee and the newly formed Grants Committee shows a clear commitment going forward.

All Members are indebted to the Sponsors who provide a financial incentive to our competitions. This Committee will continue to work closely with the Sponsors to promote their involvement and ask members to take any opportunity to acknowledge their support.

It is important to highlight upcoming events namely the KCC Men's Open Day next Saturday 16th November which will be an 8 am Shotgun start and \$1000 in prize money. Our thanks to Laurieton Taxis for their sponsorship. Presentations will be held in the clubhouse on completion of the competition.

The KCC Christmas Golf and lunch organised by Geoff Mascord is on Sunday 1st December details are displayed on posters around the clubhouse.

The KCC Loyalty Day is on Saturday 14th December which rounds out the golfing calendar of major events. More details in the November Newsletter.

In January, the new golfing calendar year opens with the Summer Cup to be held on Saturday 18th. Following an 8 am shotgun start the clubhouse Presentation will also involve acknowledging the Medal of Medal winner sponsored by M&H Mech

Captain Allan would like all of you to consider representing KCC in the District Pennants Competition played on Sunday mornings in Feb / March next year. The experience of playing Match Play in a Club team format is considered to be a real personal golfing highlight. A nomination Sheet is located in the Pro Shop and needs your endorsement by mid-December. It is fair to say that

previous Committees have been disappointed that none of our elite golfers are prepared to form a bond to represent KCC. There is great belief that an Elite team from KCC can take on any of our District competitors. The Challenge still exists for you to be involved. A wall of the Clubhouse is available to put up a Pennant Flag. as a memento for years to come.

Finally let us work together to make KCC the Best Golf Club to be a member of. Not just within the region but throughout NSW. Be proud to share our facilities with Guests and Visitors.

A copy of this address will be displayed on the Men's Golf website together with the President and Captain Reports presented during the AGM