



May 2020 Monthly Report from the Committee

- **There is Light at the End of the Tunnel**



- **Zoom Committee Meeting**



On Friday 8th May, the committee had its first Zoom committee meeting. It was a great success and a new experience for most of us.

- **Play to Resume on Monday 11th May**

We are delighted to report that we now have been given permission to start play, under very strict rules, from next Monday.

Attached are a letter from Croquet NSW and our **Rules of Play**, which have been acknowledged by the club committee, Croquet NSW and the Port Macquarie-Hastings Council.

Please read very carefully.

We will need to follow these very strictly as Council Marshalls will check regularly.

The main features are

- Strictly 2 players per court at any time.
- There will be **no access** to the clubhouse after Sunday 10th May – if you have a mallet in the clubhouse please remove it.
- At the beginning of each day of play, a clubhouse key will be needed. This is to open the alarm box where the keys to the equipment shed and toilet block will be kept. Please open the shed and toilet block, **return the keys to the alarm box and lock the box immediately**. No keys are required to lock up at the end of play for the day.
- Green fee payments must be made, before any bookings can be accepted, by bank transfer or bank deposit. No cash payments will be taken.
See Bookings and Payments.
- Social distancing must be carried out at all times.

- **Membership fee for the next financial year**

It is a difficult time for all sporting clubs. All have no current income but still have ongoing expenses. As well as green keeping costs we have to pay for electricity, water, rates, insurance, a lease, ...

The committee decided that the membership fee for the 2020/2021 financial year be \$130, with a \$5 increment in future years.

Brian has proposed 5 payment options. These were accepted by the committee.

1. Pay \$130 membership fee and \$5 green fees in addition
2. Pay \$300 for membership and 48 games (saves \$70 on green fees for the year)
3. Pay \$500 for membership and 96 games (saves \$110 on green fees for the year)
4. Pay \$700 for membership and 144 games (saves \$150 on green fees for the year)
5. Pay \$1,000 for membership and unlimited games.

Fees are due by 30th June and the above terms apply from 1.7. 2020 to 30.6.2021.

- **Lawns update**

- Shorty has continued to work on our lawns and his priority has been to try to eradicate weeds from the lawns.
- Jason has continued to mow and keep tidy the surrounds of the courts and fence.
- Matt, our clubhouse cleaner, has done a thorough clean and sanitisation of the toilet block and veranda. He will continue to clean and sanitise the toilet block each Thursday.

- **NSW Community Building Partnership Program Grant**

We were delighted to learn that we will be getting a grant of \$10,000 for a grey water storage tank, pump and the other ground works that go with this installation.

We expect to get this money by the end of this month.

After this quotes will be assessed and accepted and work will begin.

- **Meetings**

Committee meetings, the AGM and July General Meeting are under review. Zoom committee meetings will be held where necessary.

This is a strange time in all our lives and the next few months will be very different.

Stay safe!



Bridget Earle (Secretary)