



Port Augusta Golf Club Inc

Newsletter – FEBRUARY 2021



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: Colleen Milne

Hello everyone,

This is a start to what hopefully will be a very busy and productive year. Well, lets hope it carries on like that anyway and we don't have a year like the last.

Our opening day is coming up on Sat March 13th. It is the Presidents "Cup" day so make sure you come out to compete for this "prestigious" trophy.

Captain Richard has been hard at work on the 2021 programme. The programme is in the final stage of editing and will be available on payment of your annual subscription. Please note that if you are not financial at the time of a competition you will be disqualified. This does not relate to those who have made prior arrangements to pay monthly.

The Ladies opening day is Wed 10th March. 9 holes followed by a meeting and lunch.

The subscription invoices will be sent out this week. If you do not receive your invoice in a week please contact Bruce McGregor, 0466786888, to check on your details. Please note your subscription can still be paid monthly. The details will be included in your invoice.

The Management Committee wishes to establish a subcommittee to develop a strategic plan to upgrade the Clubhouse in the future. If you are interested in joining this committee, or if you have any suggestions, please contact me. Colleen 0412377004. I envisage that some fundraising will be required, therefore I am also asking for anyone interested in forming a fundraising committee contact me. As members your input and support is vital to the success of this venture.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and enjoyable 2021 season.

Colleen Milne

From the Treasurer, Michael Dunemann

The Management Committee has recently adopted a budget for 2020/2021, after working through 2 draft iterations over the last three months. This is a balanced cash budget with Income and Expenditure of \$315,000. Income from Subscriptions has been estimated at \$95,800 with an increase of \$40 for Full Members to \$840. A discount of 5% is available for payment in full by 31 March 2021.

Expenditure for the Course and Machinery has been set at \$234,200. It is worth noting that this level of expenditure is \$40,000 less than in 2014 and this really does reflect the challenges the Club has faced in that period with the golf course. The budget is heavily reliant on income from the Golf Classic and casual golfers via green fees and cart hire. The Club did achieve a significant surplus last financial year and was able to purchase a new Greens mower outright, and this has assisted the budget for this year.

From the Course Manager: Cory Keenan

The Course has come through the summer and is in typical condition for this time of year, with dry fairways etc. Members will see the course improve steadily from now on as the days get shorter and the irrigation system has better affect. I have been back at the Club for a month now and will over the next few months work through a review of all aspects of course and machinery maintenance. This process has commenced, and the new Course Committee will assist with this. I pay tribute to Bob Crabtree, staff and volunteers for the manner in which the course has come through the last few years. I understand this has been a challenge. The Autumn renovation of the greens will be done 23 March. It is expected that the greens will be in excellent condition for the 1st round of the Club Championship.

From the Captain: Richard Earle

Welcome To the 2021 Season which will start on March 13th with a Shotgun start at 11.30 for President Colleen's Day which will be followed by arvo tea. Let me thank through this forum, those members of PAGC & business's in Port Augusta for coming on board to give our members a full program of sponsored Saturdays, Wednesdays & Some "Yuppie" Days on Tuesdays.

We have had our 1st Match Committee meeting for the year, and I thank Todd Kernahan, Peter Walsh, Geoffrey Laurence and Scott Benbow for again coming on board. The Club Championship for the Men will again be best 3 Qualifying rounds of 5 through the year with the Match play Final to be played in September.

We will have a number of Shotgun starts through the year, however Time Sheets will again be in the cabinet outside the side door to the Clubhouse and I urge all members to PLEASE USE this to secure your time for you and your mates. If you haven't organised anyone to play with, or if you see the name of someone new to the club please pen your name next to theirs. If you wish to phone the Clubhouse to enter you can do so between 8am- 4 pm each day.

One change we have made this year in the Men's program is in the Holmesby Cup. Instead of having a nomination sheet posted, all playing members will be put into a draw with your contact telephone number and it will be up to you to make contact with your next opponent, and play your handicap match play game prior to the allocated cut-off date. If you are not a financial member at the time you will be disqualified. I encourage all members to PLEASE read the Notice Board in the clubhouse regularly to keep in touch with happenings within the club and on the course, and weekly results and up and coming events both locally and from other clubs.

Thankyou. Good Golfing!! and above keep the fun in the game and enjoy.

Richard Earle

Functions Management:

Minnie Reynolds 0417 872 962

Vanessa Kirkham 0419 211 267

Are managing 'non golfing' function bookings. To support club finance, we encourage all members to promote the use of our facilities to friends and families.

TWILIGHT GOLF Wednesdays 4.30-5.30pm hit off

This comp will continue, until the end of March. Come and join the fun, BBQ after your game. The bar is open.

From the Bar Manager: John Kinross

Even thou the weather is hot the beers at the bar are always cold. Please support our club with a drink after your game. Every drink you purchase helps.

PAGC FRIDAY NIGHTS

CHIPPING & PUTTING COMPETITION

Join the fun under lights on the practise putting green next to club house

WHEN: Weekly Friday Nights approx.

5pm – 8pm

\$5 per player, Prizes presented on the night.

BAR WILL BE OPEN

Drinks at Happy Hour Prices.

Tea is available

All comers invited, come and join the fun, non golfers more than welcome.

Winners are Grinners.

Mary, Vanessa and Heather

3 happy hole in 1 champs at the last Friday night comp.

