



Members

Following its Board meeting yesterday we wanted to give a short rundown of what is happening at our club.

Our COVID plan continues in place with our focus on the safety of members, staff, and visitors. This does not mean we should be complacent, quite to the contrary, we are still relying very heavily on people acting responsibly, accepting that we need to live with the restrictions we have had to put in place and continuing to support the Club.

There are only a few days left for people to renew membership and donate to the club, but if you can't reach that deadline don't be disheartened it will always be possible to join the club as a "new member".

While on the issue of membership the Board wants to thank all those who have renewed and made a donation, we do not have a final analysis of our membership numbers or the amount raised through donations – as soon as we do we will share that with you all.

All sub-clubs have been advised that the Board has removed the "freezing" of sub-club bank accounts which was initiated in March 2020 as part of the club strategy to manage the effects of the COVID19 on our club.

In reaching this decision the Board wishes to thank the sub-clubs for their forbearance during this difficult time and looks forward to continuing support into the future.

Saying this, we are not out of the woods yet. There may be circumstances arising in the future the club may need to reimpose restrictions or possibly seek a donation from sub-clubs should the need arise.

The clubs' financial position while optimistic now has been supported to a large extent by the financial interventions/relief provided by Government in response to the public health emergency. There have been extensions recently announced and the Board will now need to assess the implications of these measures, but the bottom line is that our financial planning and future business planning will need to be predicated on the need to live within our means once the financial support ceases.

That is not an easy task, nor do we expect every decision to be popular, however we need to ensure the continuing viability of our club.



Another priority for the Board is to critically analyse how we share information with members and guests. There are a number of methods we currently engage – Website, information circulars, advertising, social media, mailouts and word of mouth are all in the mix. What is clear is that no size fits all and the club needs to understand what is best for us and keeps the Club as the preferred sporting, social and entertainment venue in the region.

The golfing fraternity has been excited by the arrangement with PGA professional Rob Green to conduct golfing classes and establish a small pro-shop at the THCC. The Board is not sure if Rob appreciates the task he has set himself trying to “educate” some of our golfers, but we are advised he is very patient - he needs to be. Rob can be contacted on 0423 097 642

Club Raffles and courtesy bus are operating again. We do need the support of members who are able to assist conducting raffles at the club – we cannot rely on a small number of enthusiastic people all the time, they will be worn out very quickly. Please contact Steve at the club to register your interest..

Bistro specialty nights are operating again so come in and give them a try on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

The Board is getting some advice at the moment about how we can conduct our 2020 AGM in the current environment, and we will keep you informed once we have received that information. It may be that the usual time of mid-October is not achievable or safe due to social distancing requirements.

Finally, the Board appreciates the support of you all and we wish you continuing good health, but it is your responsibility to look after yourself and our community.

THCC Board

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