



THE LOYAL ROYAL PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

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Dear Members and Fellow Golfers,

On behalf of the Board and Management, I would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Xmas and a wonderful New Year.

2021 has been a tremendous year for the Club and the Membership.

We celebrate the granting of a 21-year lease on an 18-hole golf course. We have a new Constitution and a newly elected Board. We are in the strongest financial position in the history of the Club, and our membership is at its highest number ever.

The improvements made to the Club House and on the Golf Course are comprehensive. The Club House has been extensively improved - including the roof, the paintwork, the carpeting, the cladding, the kitchen, the poker machines and the Women's Committee Room.

On the Course, an extensive automated irrigation system has been installed to take advantage of our access to Dibble Ave waterhole. The new system will allow Course Superintendent Nathan Lindsay to remotely control the watering of greens and tee boxes in an environmentally responsible way.

We have also seen the installation of synthetic tee boxes on several holes.

This will allow us to rest the grass tees in order to allow them to recover.

Unfortunately, our greens are suffering at the moment, due to a fungal infection, but Nathan has instigated a plan for their restoration. It is difficult to predict how long the process might take, but hopefully we will have them back to full health this Summer. Nathan is a great addition to our team, and we look forward to assisting him in his vision to improve the Course.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Michelle Vernon, our General Manager, for her continued commitment this year. She has recently been joined by Matt Ward in the office as the new bookkeeper/administrator, and we look forward to working together to take the Club to the next level of excellence.

Our Club is renowned as the friendliest Club in Sydney and that is due in large part to the welcome that golfers receive from our resident Golf Professional Kylie Moulds. Kylie's expertise and professionalism has carried the Club through the extremely demanding period when Covid was at its worst. Her tireless dedication to her job meant that the Club was able to benefit from the enormous added numbers of golfers while maintaining a well organised time sheet.

We have benefitted from an enormous amount of work by volunteers this year. Their work this year has been a wonderful asset to the Club, and I would like to thank them all on behalf of the Club.

We have a wonderful Club with a wonderful staff and crew.

On behalf of them all, I wish everyone a great Xmas and look forward to seeing you all on the greens soon.

Andrew Tighe

President - Marrickville Golf Sporting and Community Club

FROM THE PRESIDENT