

Proserpine Golf Club Inc



Annual Report For the Period Ended June 30, 2020

(Audited Financial Reports available Monday 16th November 2020)

REPORT TO MEMBERS

13/11/2020

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I present to you this report and financial statement for the period ending June 30, 2020.

Board.

I would like to thank the current board for the hard work and commitment they have put in this year, under some extremely difficult circumstances mainly due to COVID-19. Some tough decisions have had to be made and they were all the better for the club.

Members' Support.

The support of our members over the COVID-19 period in the form of playing in the extra club competitions each and every week, speaks volumes about your dedication to the club, in turn assisting the club through a tight financial period.

Sponsors.

To our sponsors thank you for your support over the past 12 months. Without this support the club could not provide the facilities our members deserve.

Please help support our sponsors where you can.

Volunteers.

A huge thank you to all our volunteers who can be seen here on a regular basis and other pre-organized times. Jobs like emptying bins on the course, trimming trees, slashing, cooking in the kitchen, drinks buggy, top dressing the greens, helping Rob and Wayne in general, and the list goes on.

Club staff.

Tanya is our part time bookkeeper and doing an excellent job with Vikki, Mandy and Karina behind the bar providing drinks and food from the kitchen and again doing an excellent job.

Ground staff.

Rob and Wayne do an outstanding job. This club is lucky to have greens staff who take pride in their work. This is evident in the great condition of the course.

Club Professional.

Roger has been coaching juniors at both the Catholic and State schools.

Along with the junior co-ordinator, Troy Smith, they have increased the junior participation rate at the club.

Roger and the current board have a good working relationship, and this has led the board to a restructure of our administration.

Recommendations from the club's auditor at the last AGM:

"Management need to review all operations of the club to ensure its ongoing viability" and that is exactly what we are doing.

Roger has taken over some of Paul's duties and Tanya is responsible for the bookkeeping.

This has saved the club \$12,000 per annum.

Buggy Paths.

Glen Gough, Wendy's father, has kindly donated ironstone, as much as we want from his property, for the club to use on buggy paths. This will be a huge saving to the club.

Showground Bore.

The bore in the showgrounds which is owned by the Whitsunday Regional Council has been donated to the Proserpine Golf Club inc., and we are currently working with council for them to pay for power to pump water as well. If the PGC receive a favourable report from our auditor, the current board will be looking to start work on the first stage of the master plan on course irrigation.

Before I get into the financials, I would like to point out that since this board came to office in November 2019, we have paid off our overdraft of \$40,000 and also paid off \$40,000 of a \$90,000 loan, as at June 30, 2020. (As of October 5, 2020 the loan stands at \$-17,000. Available funds for the club now stand at \$149,000).

The Greens Director Reports:

There have been precious things left untouched by COVID-19 and our club has not been one of them. Therefore, the approach of the board and the greens committee has been to spend as little money as possible on the course to maintain good playing conditions. To date the weather has helped with a lighter wet season and regular moderate rainfall through autumn and winter.

The greenkeepers have once again work diligently to present the golf course in the best condition possible, facing down the constant challenges of growing and maintaining grass in tropical North Queensland. This year we initiated an employee review process with the greens staff which I believe was fruitful for both parties and was undertaken in an enthusiastic manner.

Many thanks to Rob and Wayne for your ongoing dedication and to Bill Woods for the many hours put in mowing.

Our equipment replacement programme saw the greens mower changed out over this term. The Kubota rough mower will be the next to be replaced.

The greens committee with the help of some members were able to assist the greenkeepers to stay on top of some chores in the wetter months and make some improvements when the course dried out. A lot of slashing around trees and buildings and along drains early on, then removing dead trees and stumps, with some improvement to drainage and buggy paths and a tidy up around the greenkeepers' shed later in the year.

Scott Lee has made some repairs to the aluminium bridge that will replace the steel bridge at hole 13. I would like to thank Scott and his family's business for doing all of this at no cost to the club. We still must repair some of the boards on the deck and will install the bridge when we are able to. Further to above some minor works were carried out to complete some irrigation projects previously started.

As mentioned at the start no real ambitious projects have been commenced. Completing irrigation on the course was put on hold but hopefully when things are more settled this, and other projects will be started.

I would like to thank the greens' committee for their help. Troy Smith, Lyn and Larry Muller and Rodger Vandenberg who were always ready to help and contribute in ways we can improve your golfing experience at our course.

Lastly, I want to thank the members for contributing around the course, repairing divots and plug marks, picking up rubbish etc. It all makes a positive impact on how we play and enjoy our golf. Thanks again and please keep up the good work.

The Club Captain reports:

The yearly calendar went pear shaped in March after all sports and gatherings were put on hold by the Government to help prevent the spread of Corona virus infections.

GolfNQ was forced to cancel the Ladies Open, which was due to be held in Proserpine this year. Also cancelled were the NQ Pennants in both ladies and men.

This meant we were flying blind with arranging our Open and Closed Championships, but as the health emergency eased, we were able to re-arrange these for later in the year.

It looks as though before the end of the calendar year the virus may have done the club a financial favour.

The Club Captain reports that the number of club games played for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, was 9699.

The previous nine-month period, October 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 saw 5022 games played, at a monthly average of 558 games, compared to the current reporting period, of 808 games.

Numbers were down in March 2020 with only 421 games (the beginning of the lockdown), but picked up again dramatically in the next three months.

A chart showing player statistics and the yearly rainfall appears at the end of this report.

Club Champions were Ross Richards for the men and Trish McNeill, for the ladies for the second year running.

Medal of Medals: A grade: Lewis Tuck; B Grade: Barry Mortimer; and C Grade: Karl Kirkwood.

Match Play Graded: A grade: Conrad Werner; B Grade: Michael Kavanagh; C Grade: George Meharry.

Match Play, Handicap: Lewis Tuck.

Smith & Robson Cup – 4BBB Match Play: Jim Grace and Lewis Tuck.

Order of Merit: Jason Bourke.

Golfer of the Year: Kelvin Stephens.

In ladies' events, the match play champion was Mel Patullo, most improved was Wendy Gough, Medal of Medals, Penny Wardroper.

Order of Merit: Trish McNeill, Saturday; Lyn Muller, Wednesday.

Golfer of the Year: Elspeth Scotford.

Rob Smith

PRESIDENT, Proserpine Golf Club Inc.

THE BOARD & STAFF

President: Rob Smith

Treasurer: Rod Wecker

Club Captain: Peter Lewis

Vice-Captain: Kelvin Stephens

Greens Director: Peter Faust

Director: Peter Krause. (Resigned January 2020)

Director: Jacqueline Wall (Resigned May 2020)

Secretary/Admin Officer: Paul Nicol

PROSERPINE GOLF CLUB

PLAYING STATISTICS AND RAINFALL RECORD FOR 2019/20

	W'end	Thurs	W'end	Wed	Wed		Wsy	Specials	Total	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18	2016/17	2015/16
	Men	Men	Ladies	Ladies	Men	All Vets	Club	& Opens	Players	Rainfall (mm)				
Jul-19	174	168	22	67		158	55	213 *	857	93		0	16	95
Aug-19	196	212	68	37		81	26	591 ^	1211	9		4	0	62
Sep-19	228	166	91	59		67	86	54 #	751	1		0	0	77
Oct-19	95	234	49	76		76	81	251 <	862	18	18	138	36	27
Nov-19	186	171	73	75		76	121	132 **	834	11	0	286	9	55
Dec-19	108	107	36	42		51	67	60 ^^	471	238	500	99	95	102
Jan-20	146	169	56	53		52	67	108 <<	651	204	521	51	733	89
Feb-20	201	123	73	53		70	45		565	244	479	281	43	162
Mar-20	130	101	50	27		45	68		421	291	168	388	628	367
Apr-20	159	260	69	99	32	135	118	208	1080	79	197	245	21	193
May-20	246	175	124	65	26	94	122	116	968	135	45	25	207	14
Jun-20	147	224	57	82	15	186	87	230	1028	36	37	13	0	216
TOTAL	2016	2110	768	735	73	1091	943	1963	9699	1359	1965	1530	1788	1459

*NQ Police Championships

^Proserpine Open, I. Mxd. & Men 294; Wintersun 253; Junior Open 44. # Mixed Foursomes. < Ugly Ducklings 75; Ladies VW scramble 68; VW

**Professionasl R.E. & Captain & Co. (84), Sponsors Day (48), ^^Turkey Day; <<VW Open Scramble (80) ; Aus. Day Amprose (28)

As at June 30, 2020

Note: Towards the end of March Covid-19 virus caused several days of no play due to course having to be closed.

The club took over running all games as medley events at this point.

April Special: Easter Cup medley stableford over four days. **May Day Cup:** Played over 3 days. 2 days **Show weekend best 2 of 3:**

Average competition games per month over 12 month period Average monthly games last 3 mnths: 1025. This was after the Covid-19 lockdown

