

**MURWILLUMBAH GOLF CLUB LTD**

**47<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE 233 BYANGUM ROAD MURWILLUMBAH**

**SUNDAY 18th NOVEMBER 2018 at 11.00am**

**ATTENDANCE:** K O'Grady (Chair) and as per Attendance Book. (45 members)

Chairman, K O'Grady welcomed all in attendance and declared the meeting open at 11.00am.

The Chairman introduced Secretary Manager and minute taker, Gary Thatcher and Club Auditor, Geoff Dwyer.

**APOLOGIES:** Barry Bright, Adrienne Amisano

**BUSINESS:**

Confirmation of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Sunday 19th November 2017.

**Moved:** Vince Formica                      **Seconded:** Cath Blissett  
that the minutes of the 46th Annual General Meeting of Murwillumbah Golf Club held 19th November 2017 as  
presented on the Club's website are confirmed. Carried

**Business Arising:** Nil

To receive and consider the Reports of:

The Chairman  
Directors' Report  
Financial Report and Auditor's Report  
Secretary Manager  
Finance Committee  
Match Committee  
Greens Committee  
House Committee  
Women's Golf Murwillumbah Committee  
Veterans' Committee

**Moved:** Mark Bilotto                      **Seconded:** Harry Pearson  
that the Chairman's report as posted on the Club's web site be accepted by members. Carried

Chairman, Keith O'Grady thanked the outgoing Board in particular Wayne Kendrigan and also Neil Fogo for all his work since taking over as Club Captain from Rick Rattray. He commented that he believed that the decisions made in his nine years as Chairman were made in the best interests of the Club at all times. He also thanked the members for their patronage and support of their club and all of the volunteers for their efforts.

**Moved:** Bob Green                      **Seconded:** Gisele Somerville  
that the Secretary Manager's report as posted on the Club's web site be accepted by members. Carried  
Secretary Manager, Gary Thatcher thanked all the members for supporting the Club and thanked all the staff and the Board for a job well done.

**Moved:** Vince Formica                      **Seconded:** Carol Quantrill  
that the Finance Committee report as posted on the Club's web site be accepted by members. Carried

No questions were received regarding the Financial Accounts.



Chairman, K O'Grady advised that:

- The honorarium granted to the Finance Chairman has been waived at the request of the Finance Chairman.
- The Directors resolved to recommend to the members that no payment of Directors fees be made
- In accordance with sections 10 (1) and 10 (6) of the Registered Clubs Act the members approve entitlements and other benefits as permitted by law to Directors, Volunteer Workers, Club Committee Members and Employees.

Such benefits to include

- (a) That each Volunteer be entitled to reasonable refreshments at the end of each day's work
- (b) That the Chairman be entitled to an allowance to cover out of pocket expenses in carrying out Club duties. Such expenses to be agreed to by the Board and are to be properly documented.
- (c) That the Directors, Employees and representatives of the Men's, Veterans' and Women's Committees be entitled to reasonable out of pocket expenses when carrying out their duties.
- (d) That Directors be entitled to reserved car parking spaces as designated by the Board.
- (e) That Directors and Employees be entitled to represent the Club at sponsored golf day events by invitation.

**Moved:** Joanne Campbell      **Seconded:** Gisele Somerville      Carried

A recommendation from the Board "that Keith O'Grady is granted Life Membership of Murwillumbah Golf Club". To be resolved needs to be carried by two-thirds majority at this meeting.

Chairman Keith O'Grady excused himself from the meeting and Captain Neil Fogo took control of the meeting.

**Moved:** Mark Biltoft      **Seconded:** Darren Cormick

That Keith O'Grady is granted Life Membership of Murwillumbah Golf Club

Neil Fogo called on Mark Biltoft to speak for the motion. Mark Biltoft spoke for the motion outlining Keith O'Grady's contributions to the Club over 45 years. Darren Cormick also spoke for the motion.

There were no speakers against the motion.      Carried Unanimously

Neil Fogo handed control of the meeting back to Chairman Keith OGrady who thanked all the members present for granting him Life Membership of the Club and said it was an honour to accept.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR:**

Chairman K O'Grady advised that the Board has appointed Edd Ryan as Returning Officer.

Chairman K O'Grady, in accordance with the Constitution of Murwillumbah Golf Club, Rule 31.1 (a-h) declared all Directors positions vacant.

Mr Ryan stated that Directors to be elected are:

Chairman  
Captain  
Finance Chairman  
Director - Chairman of Greens Committee  
Director - Chairman of House, Membership & Marketing  
4 x Ordinary Directors

Mr Ryan declared the result of the election:

Chairman:	Graham Rosenbaum	153
	Neil Fogo	116
Captain:	Graham Nelson	99
	Andrew Moore	88
	Neil Fogo	85



Monday. It is not financially viable for them to pay staff to keep it open when the demand for food is not there. Breakfast was tried on Sunday mornings but was cancelled due to lack of support by members.

Response: Mr Hughes stated that he disagreed and feels that the Club is letting the caterers get away with it. Andrew Moore replied that a new contract with the caterers had been negotiated recently and some of the requests from the committee were a work in progress.

### **Current Issues:**

The Chairman advised that the Board has approved or is considering the following capital projects:

1. 3rd green renovations and new cart path - in progress
2. Replacement of Golf Cart Fleet - March 2019
3. Ongoing machinery replacement program

### **Recommendations to the Board for 2018/2019:**

Bob Green asked for the Board to have a closer look at the acoustics in the new outdoor deck area and to recognise that there is a problem.

Ros Julien asked what the criterion was for considering someone for Life membership. Wayne Kendrigan replied that there was no specific criteria for nominating someone for life membership other than the person nominated must have given outstanding service to the club. He further advised that the procedure was for a full golfing member to make a written submission detailing the reasons why the person should be considered for the honour. The Board would consider that submission and if in their opinion they agreed that the person was deserving then they would bring the matter to the membership at an AGM and then it must receive a two-thirds majority vote of those in attendance.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and declared the 47th AGM of the Murwillumbah Golf Club Ltd closed at 11.55am.

The Chairman invited members to enjoy a refreshment at the bar.