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2020/2021 OFFICE BEARERS

The following members were declared as the Wolston Park Golf Club Inc. Committee for 2021, at the AGM held on 27 February 2021.

President:	Joe Lyttle
Vice-President:	Nadine Hall
Treasurer:	Terry Slaughter (Replaced by Rob Beaumont)
Captain:	Frank Ware
Vice-Captain:	Stirling Sheck
Committee:	Dave Bushell Peter Erskine Rachel Fredman (Ladies Representative)
Patrons:	Anastasia Palazczuk and Milton Dick
Auditor:	SAAS Audit Pty Ltd
Club Professional	Andrew Egea
Course Superintendent	Warren Langlands
General Manager:	Frank Byrne

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ANNUAL REPORT

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual Report (to be read in conjunction with the Auditors Financial Statements) is to be presented at the 61st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of GOLFING MEMBERS of Wolston Park Golf Club Incorporated, to be held in the Clubhouse, Cnr Ellerton Drive and Boyce Road, Wacol, on Saturday, 29 January 2022 at 12.00am to conduct the following business:

1. Opening of the Meeting by the Chairman
 - All attendees requested to sign the register
2. Sustaining of Apologies
3. To Receive and Adopt as a true record the minutes of the 60th Wolston Park Golf Club Incorporated Annual General Meeting held at the clubhouse on Saturday, 27 February 2021
4. To receive and adopt the Annual Report including President's Report and the Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30 September, 2021
5. To Receive and To Adopt the Audited Financial Statements Report for the Year Ended 30 September 2021
6. To Elect the Auditor or Auditors
7. To Elect the Club Patron/s
8. The declaration of the election of the Office Bearers and Management Committee
9. General Business
 - a. Recommendation for Life Membership
 - b. Voting rights for Intermediate members
 - c. Any Other Business
10. Closure

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2020/2021

Good afternoon and welcome everyone to the Wolston Park AGM for 2022.

I'd like to thank you again for your support and opportunity to serve you as President for this, my 5th year.

Another year of Covid restrictions hasn't stopped our club growing strongly and improving. By strictly obeying Government restrictions we have managed not only to stay open but to have thrived in new membership. I'd like to thank all of you for your hard work.

Again the 2021 men's and junior pennants were cancelled for another year. The ladies' pennants team last year were not only fortunate to be able to compete but came a strong 2nd by only 2 points. This was a fantastic achievement as it has been several years since we have been able to have enough lady members to form a team. Well done ladies.

The Halfway Hutt has been going well since opening last year with profits doubling. I'm sure you have noticed the fantastic aboriginal artwork done by Glen Evans. I would like to thank him for his wonderful contribution. We will be having an official opening ceremony soon with our Patron Milton Dick and other distinguished guest. I welcome everyone who would like to attend.

I believe the course is looking its best at the moment. The 11th green is taking shape and hopefully will be ready to play within the next few months. We have approved the purchase of a new greens roller that will improve the greens. We have also committed to the continued improvement of cart paths throughout the course.

I'd like to thank our major sponsors again this year:

Deon Versteegh	MDN INNOVATIONS
Stirling Sheck	PROJECT PARTNER SERVICES
Angie Wiki	OUR COFFEE
Terry Slaughter	IGA SPRINGFIELD
Andrew Dore	SURFACE ARCHETYPES

We are grateful for their continued support.

I'd also like to thank Andrew, Jess and Adam for doing a wonderful job in the Pro Shop and for organising the very successful Dark Shark Nights.

To Steph, Charman and the team behind the bar and kitchen, a huge thank you to you all. It has been a very challenging year for all of them and they have done an excellent job.

During the year we have had some volunteer days. I would like to thank the volunteers for their time and efforts and would like to encourage more people to donate some time this year when they can spare it.

Finally, I would like to thank the committee and the General Manager, Frank for their support and hard work in making the difficult decisions that will keep this club moving in the future.

Thank you

Joey Lyttle.

WPGC President

WPGC Treasurer's Report 2021

First of all, I'd like to thank the committee and members for entrusting the financial stewardship of the club to me. The role of treasurer is one that I value and feel privileged to have.

My tenure in the role commenced just as the 2021 reporting year concluded. I have made some retrospective observations relating to that period.

The period again was impacted by COVID. This affected staffing, competition, clubhouse operations, playing conditions to name a few. Despite this the club continued to achieve:

- Half way hut funded jointly by an external grant and club funds
- Jan '21 saw a record in green/cart fees
- Commitment made to the construction of 11th green
- Sep '20 M/ship numbers were at 543 rising to a peak of 641 in Sep '21 (508 as at Dec 21)
- New and upgraded cart paths and tees
- The club secured the services of our illustrious pro Andrew for another 5 years

Some numbers:

- Clubhouse/function income reduced by around 11% (\$32k)
- Membership Fees up by 26% (\$73k)
- Visitors' fees up 16% (\$40k)
- Deficit 2020 \$34k (excluding grant funding of \$302k), Surplus 2021 \$59k (excluding grant funding \$19k)

Looking forward the pandemic lingers and with that comes some uncertainty around club revenue and expenditure. Despite this I am anticipating the following in the coming year:

- completion of 11th green
- Delivery of machinery which was ordered last year
- New greens roller
- Protective fencing/netting on the first tee to minimise stray balls

- New trees around the course

I will be recommending the club take a cautious and careful view towards major capital expenditure throughout 2021/22. Beyond 2021/22 the club will be embarking on planned debt retirement. We must ensure our future cash flow position is sturdy enough to accommodate this.

I encourage all members to support the club facilities whenever you can. Invite a mate for a game, buy your breakfast at the club, ask Andrew and his team to help you buy some new gear, say g'day to a visitor and thank them for playing at Wolly Park. All dollars raised are poured back into our club to ultimately benefit us all.

Finally, a thank you to the staff at our club. From the bar staff and the “party crew” in the hut to the behind-the-scenes greens keepers and our pro shop gurus. Under Frank’s passionate and all-encompassing guidance, you bring enjoyment to all our members and underpin the spirit of Wolston Park Golf Club.

Rob Beaumont

WPGC Treasurer

General Manager Report 2021

As President Joey Lyttle has already outlined, 2020 - 2021 was a good year for Wolston Park Golf Club. We have continued to make progress on our course improvement, customer service and making our club more recognisable in the larger community. A great deal of the credit for all of this should go to the outstanding commitment of all the staff working at Wolston Park Golf Club. We have a good mix of full-time and casual staff and the whole team is focused on enhancing the customer experience and increasing the reputation of our Club. Making golf accessible to more people is our main goal. To achieve that goal depends on our careful environmental management and striking a balance between members' expectations, budgetary management and the elements.

There is a great deal of human skill, knowledge and professionalism involved in our greenkeeping operation, and the team has enthusiastically accepted these challenges under the guidance of our Course Superintendent, Warren Langlands and his new Assistant, Matt Frohmuller. We have invested in a new pump and irrigation control system. This will vastly improve our watering program and allow water to areas that were previously neglected. The improvement to fairways, tees and greens will greatly benefit our club and make golf more enjoyable for our members and visitors.

Our Food and Beverage department, under the professional guidance of F&B Manager Stephanie Manila, increased sales by more than 50%. This was an amazing feat considering all the interruptions over the year due to COVID restrictions placed on us by the Government of the day. Thank you to Stephanie and all the bar staff. Our Functions and Events Co-ordinator, Charman Colman, has established our club as a desirable wedding and function venue. Charman has also increased the number of mid-week seminars in our Ballroom. All this non-member, non-golf business is vital to our increased revenue. Finally, thank you to Ricky Brown for running our kitchen and keeping it operational during some testing times.

The Year in Review

Membership

Our membership continued to improve for the year. We began the year with 540 members and ended the year with 632. A breakdown of the final membership categories are as follows:

Corporate -	7
Five Day -	130
Gateway -	16
Intermediate -	88
Junior -	19

Life (Playing) -	5
Ordinary -	180
Senior -	184
Six Day -	3

Our 3-Month membership trial continues to be a very popular promotion. Of the 60 that joined on the promotion, we signed up 28 as members and many of these were on our 16-month membership for the price of 12 promotion.

Our membership took a significant dip moving into the next year. I call it a “COVID Equalisation” where we saw our membership drop to 480. This equalisation saw many people that joined our club during COVID return to their other sports. We also encountered members that came back to golf, move onto other clubs. We will get them back, I am sure.

Golden Roo Friday

The Golden Roo Challenge, held on the fourth Friday of every month continued to grow in numbers averaging 75 players per month. This peaked in August with 101 players taking on the challenge of the Roo. This is an Open event and we have attracted players from many clubs. All players compete for a Top 50 place in the Western Suburbs Challenge final



In conjunction with Oxley Golf Club and Gales Golf Clubs we have set up: **‘THE WESTERN SUBURBS CHALLENGE’**. Members of each of the 3 local clubs can play at any of the 3 club’s Friday ‘Blackmarker Events’ each month from February to December at the ‘Club Member Price’

At each Blackmarker event, the top 20 players will be allocated points from 20 to 1 based on your placing. At the end of each Western Suburbs Challenge, the final will be held in January the following year. At that final event, the top 50 ranked players get to compete for prizes and the winner crowned **“WESTERN SUBURBS CHALLENGE CHAMPION”**.

Course Improvements and Additions

- Our second cart shed was completed in 2021 with 20 members moving their carts into the new luxury accommodation. The cart sheds continue to be popular with members and there is always someone on the waiting list for a shed space to become available. We are looking at new sheds when space and funds become available.

- Work was completed on the new safety fence between us and the EFTR Unit of the West Moreton Health on the 4th fairway.
- New Indoor and Outdoor furniture was added to the clubhouse replacing the furniture donated to us by other clubs after the 2011 floods.
- The new pump and irrigation control system were completed and is now fully operational
- The Halfway Hutt behind the 10th green is now a welcomed new refreshment station on the golf course. The Hutt has been appreciated by members and will see more opening days in the future. This was made possible by a grant from our Patron Milton Dick through the Stronger Communities and topped up with club funds. Thanks to Glen Evans for the magnificent Aboriginal mural on the side.
- An Australian Standard chemical storage facility was added to the Greenkeepers Shed to provide a safer working environment.
- As Harold says, Rome was not built in a day. Popular members Harold Tapu and Oska Ribu gave up plenty of time and their own resources to rebuild the shed on the 3rd tee. Many thanks to you both from all the members of our club.
- Improvements are almost complete on our new front entrance. There is a new concrete path with wheelchair access from the car park. The hedge has been removed so that people in the car park will be able to recognise the entrance to the club, function room and Pro Shop via the front of the clubhouse. Our aim is to stop people from walking down the Service Road which is dangerous due to delivery vehicles and course machinery.
- After creating new tees for the Gold Markers and moving some Blue Markers, our tee signs needed to be updated. The new tee signs have been installed on every hole with the correct new information. We have also updated information signage around the clubhouse.
- Our function room has become popular with seminars during the week. We needed to replace the old projector. The new projector has been installed and it makes an amazing amount of difference. Very worthwhile investment.
- We accepted an offer for topsoil (about 100 ton) for free. Unfortunately, when this was delivered. there will be a little damage to the 7th fairway. This was re-turfed and repaired.

Web and Social Pages

The last year has seen many improvements to our web and social pages and I would like to thank Stephanie, our Food and Beverage Manager for the hard work and creativity needed in the role. We are constantly looking for contributions to these pages if you have a good story. We continue to get good responses from our social pages on Facebook and Instagram. We really need as many people as possible to **Share**. Like is good but it does not reach your Friends. Please try to share any notices about promos or events that we post.

Club Functions and Charity Days

- The Dark Shark Friday will continue on the last Friday of every month. I would like to thank Andrew and his team for their continued support of this event. The Putt for Cash was an amazing end to the year. This is a great way to support your club and have some fun also.
- Our Trivia Night in June was a big success. We will continue this as an annual event
- We held three Sip N Dip functions/classes at the club during the year. The classes were a Snack Paddle board, Alcohol Ink clock and a Paint N Paranormal. We look forward to more amusing events with them.
- We were looking at holding an Elvis Tribute Night in July/August. Unfortunately, a COVID lockdown forced us to reschedule. We will be trying to find another date to invite Elvis back into the building.
- Our Trophy Presentation Gala Night continues to be successful and is a great reward for members that have won a trophy during the year.
- The club continues to support charitable events and in March we raised funds for men's mental health. Our thanks to Greg Frankish for organising this event and raising funds for a great cause.
- The club was also a host club for the Cancer Council – Longest Day. Two teams played 72 holes to raise money for a very good cause. The highlight of the day, apart from raising over \$4,000 was an albatross to yours truly on the 11th hole. I would like to thank Dale Tait for not only his role as playing partner, but his fine efforts in raising money

IT Support

We have engaged an IT consultant, Lee Mullins from Cortex to support us with all of our computer issues. Lee has upgraded our hardware and is on hand to resolve any issues with our domain (wpgc.com.au), emails and

Monthly Medals

The new monthly medal ball markers for grade winners of each Monthly Medal have been very well received by members. Thanks to Terry Slaughter for organising and Andrew Egea for seeing through.

Honour Board & Major Event Winners

Congratulations to the following members for winning our Honour Board events and Major Trophies.

MEDAL OF MEDALISTS

DIV A	James Mitchell
DIV B	Jordan Smailes
DIV C	Josh Afaese
LADIES	Vonnie Passlow

ORME ORFORD OPEN	Axel Hunt, Josh Hobbs
DEE MAGUIRE MEMORIAL SHIELD	Richard Tink and Nadine Hall
W.K. HYND MEMORIAL TROPHY	Wayne Mohr, Angie Wiki
LAURIE HOWARD MEMORIAL SHIELD	Roger Mai, Stephen Jensen
JACARANDA SHIELD	Mal Atkinson, Des Reinke
BOB TREMBLE MEMORIAL TROPHY	Andrew Hickey
HOLE IN ONE TROPHIES	
Noah McFarlane John Goldsworthy Angie Arumugam Rick Hyde James Hema Frank Ware Richard Simmons Mitchell Pickford Bernie San Diego Casey Rose Troy Caswell Noah McFarlane Tupuanai Teomataui Peter Erskine Stormy Hema Stormy Hema Jack Keidge Scott Douglas	
PRESIDENTS V CAPTAINS TROPHY	PRESIDENTS
	Corey Chase and Julie Price
PRESIDENTS TROPHY	Roger Mai, Stephen Jensen
CAPTAINS TROPHY	Stuart Brown and Kellie Tonkin
WOLSTON PARK CUP	Chris McCombes and Rachel Fredman
PATRONS TROPHY	Brian Johnston, James Middap
EASTER AGGREGATE	Col Moores
MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS 2021	
MEN	Josh Afaese
LADIES	Marieke Olivier
36 HOLE GROSS FOURSOMES (men)	Adam Teale, Matt Frohmuller
36 HOLE GROSS FOURSOMES (ladies)	Belinda Yates, Leesa Richardson
36 HOLE MIXED FOURSOMES	James Mitchell, Kellie Tonkin
GROSS MATCHPLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS	
DIV A	Taj Egea
DIV B	Del Crawford
DIV C	Josh Afaese
LADIES	Nadine Hall
GROSS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS MEN	
DIV A	Stormy Hema
DIV B	Mark McCombes
DIV C	Jacob Christensen
MASTERS	Wade Biggs
JUNIOR	Taj Egea
GROSS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS LADIES	
DIV A	Nadine Hall
DIV B	Roxan Madden