

### Sandringham Hospital - Beneficiary of BGC Effort

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our Clubrooms.

Officer

Director of Nursing

Fundraising

Following our very successful Charity Day on the 17th June, 2015, we had the cheque presentation of \$5887.55 to the representatives of The Sandringham Hospital on the 29th July, 2015.



opened its doors in 1964.

A number of sections of the hospital will be updated over the next five years with support from The Government, but of course monies allocated are "shared" between all of our Public Hospitals, so "outside" funding is very important!

Sandringham Hospital was built through Community commitment support and advocacy,



and today Community support remains as important as ever!

Monies raised from our Charity Day have "bought" a Dialysis Chair, for patients receiving life saving renal replacement therapy, and a transport wheelchair for patients being transferred to

The Alfred Hospital for tests and further investigations!

Once again I would like to thank all of our Guests from other Clubs, and our own Brighton Golf Club Ladies and Men, for their support and generosity for this very special cause.

Cheryl Young, President, **Brighton Golf Club Ladies** 

### **BGC 2015/2016 Annual Fees Renewal**

It's that time of year again Members! An envelope containing your invoice for renewal of annual fees will be placed in the clubrooms on 1st October 2015. You will then have until the 31st October for payment after which time you may become un-financial.

Those envelopes not collected by 13<sup>th</sup> October will be posted to you. To plan for this please see the annual fees information on page 5 of this publication.



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### **Highlights of CoM Meeting - August 11 2015**

# Brighton Golf Club marketing now and into the future - A presentation by Collective Loop (CL):

Given the demands placed on the CoM to produce suitably consistent marketing and promotional material an invitation was extended to John Beggs of Collective Loop to quote for the design and publication of the stalled BGC brochure project. The following summarises his presentation to the BGC Committee of Management.

After introductions were made John went on to discuss the two (2) new recently designed club brochures and his general overview of the BGC requirement for a focused marketing program.

A spirited discussion surrounded the wording of the copy on several pages of the new brochures the result of which was a successful motion that the "Let's Play Golf" copy appear as the banner on the front page of both brochures with some additional changes to the inside of the brochure. It was moved successfully that 2,000 of each brochure using 150 gsm paper should be printed at a cost of approx. \$1,000 ASAP.

JB then gave a resume of what he felt would best suit BGC's needs. This took the form of a two (2) part presentation firstly to gather an overview of the facts and secondly to look at specific strategies and costs.

He will finalise his thoughts and suggestions on this and other initiatives during a second presentation at the next CoM meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2015.

#### **Normal BGC Business**

**Financial Report:** Hon. Treasurer KB confirmed that all financial reports in PDF format would from now on be placed in Dropbox prior to the meeting for the convenience of all CoM members. Also that accountant member Ryan Radford had reviewed and was satisfied with the accounts YTD, that progression toward a successful audit was in train and that as income was very limited at this time of year all expenditure should be closely scrutinised.

Discussion again arose with regard to the BGC Future Fund. Vice President Karl Lindberg (KL) agreed to write an article to again explain to all members the need for such a fund. This may be found on page 9

Secretary's Report: Geoff Hergt (GH) confirmed that with no new members in August and none likely for the balance of this current golfing year the member numbers we have right now LESS resignations will determine the member starting numbers for the 2015/2016 golfing year. This is the only number we have upon which to base our 2015/2016 year Club Budget. It is imperative that member resignations as at

October 31<sup>st</sup> 2015 be at an absolute minimum. GH referred to both the New Member graph and the table of Member Numbers by Category. Copies provided to each CoM member

*Captain's Report:* John McCreery (JMcC) mentioned that our BGC team in the VGL teams event finished fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) whilst Peter Jolly achieved the best individual score for the day. JMcC outlined the offering of support for the AFL Grand Final Day event (a \$25 voucher to each player) which differs this year to previous years.

#### **Social Report:**

KB advised that the Melbourne Cup Raffle would be the next event whilst planning for the Spring Trivia Night is imminent.

#### House Sub Committee:

Beau Roberts (BR) advised.

- The insurance claim for replacement of the Temprite cooler has been completed pending receipt of the invoice from the supplier.
- Fence (north) quote due shortly.
- New Rinnai gas space heater to be installed ASAP.
- Free replacement of down lights with LED's due to occur on Tuesday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>.

BR also advised that he had sent home the paid bar staff late each Saturday afternoon due to no members in the clubrooms. This will continue until sufficient members in the clubrooms justified paid staff remaining

#### **General Business**

**Pennant teams fixture:** JMcC outlined the teams and locations for the coming season. He also outlined coming VGL events.

**BGC Members Welfare:** Bill Dooley (BD) reports... **Ray Reed** has a new pacemaker and looks great (Ray that is - not the pacemaker).

<u>Peter Duncan</u> whilst still suffering is showing some improvement and retains his interest in the club.

<u>Margaret Ward</u> has been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and with the newly prescribed medication is looking great again.

Andrea Whitney home but still very ill.

<u>Keith Williams</u> is recovering/undergoing rehab. at Cabrini Rehab. Hospital, Glenhuntly Rd. Elternwick, following brain surgery.

All of us at BGC wish these members and any other members who are ill or who are recovering from illness at this time our very sincere wishes for a speedy recovery.

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**BGC Winter Classic:** ASADA vs Daybreakers for qualifying round and Elimination round is between Eagles and Schemozzle.

**Presentation Night 2015:** Same format as last year's arrangements to be finalised.

**President/Captains Day:** Catering arrangements to be confirmed.

Clarification of Honorary Life Member nomination criteria: Significant debate revolved around the proposed motion to change the criteria guidelines in Rule 10 of the Club Rules of Association. A slight wording change was agreed and a final draft is to be put to the CoM on Sept 8<sup>th</sup>.

Payment of club dues by instalment - member survey: KB advised that despite coverage of this matter in the latest BGC News he had only received 4 responses and would rerun the article in the next issue, flyer to go on the clubroom tables.

**Leaderboard system and BGC LAN:** Still a WIP awaiting KB to provide a specific brief of work required.

**Brighton Public Golf Course condition Subcommittee:**KB advised no meeting has occurred but that he has a plan in process to follow up LMS should they not respond by the appropriate date.

**Melbourne Cup Raffle:** KB advised that planning has commenced. BR asked if the results could be shown on the clubroom computer. Draw of horses to occur on Monday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> with the draw uploaded to the club website that day. Winners notified by result in the Herald Sun newspaper on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Members who draw a horse to be phoned on the day of the draw and advised of their horse name. POS button for ticket sales to be put up in time for the sale of tickets.

**Pennant Update:** KB advised that the club pennant teams and planning for the 2016 golfing year are well under way. A plan is being devised by BR and the subcommittee for bringing the pennant teams together to create a better team spirit. This will take the form of a season launch with all pennant players, caddies and supporters. More to be announced soon.

**BGC** Membership "A" frame: Kingsley Ferguson, Pro Shop manager, has agreed to place it out and bring it back in each day. Thanks Kingsley and the Pro Shop team.

**BGC 2015/2016 Budget:** Work has begun and a meeting called to discuss this matter and the setting of the Club Subs. This meeting will occur on Tuesday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> next from 3pm at the clubrooms. Various scenarios to be canvassed.

**Eftpos transactions:** It was moved successfully that the minimum Eftpos transaction value made at the Bar be \$15.00. This, along with the new CBA/Visa Paywave Terminal, should improve speed of bar service during busy periods.

Annual Fees payments: KB advised that no annual fees payments will be accepted which are not accompanied by a remittance slip. This is to facilitate the accurate identification of the payee and therefore the processing of the payment to the correct member account in a timely fashion. KB/GH to find a simple method of producing a member copy invoice.

House Account availability: KB advised that members who have paid their dues should not expect to be able to access those funds for at least a week after payment - unless payment is made electronically via ClubLink in which case the House Account become immediately available.

# ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

- Research and source suitable New Bar Fridge to \$800: BR progress made but still a WIP
- Clubhouse ideas/communication, exterior sketches to be redisplayed soon.
- New volunteer assistance behind the bar: BR Training about to commence.
- Quote to build fence to fix large BGC sign inside golf course: BR awaiting quote.
- IT cabling upgrade: Awaiting quote.
- Clubroom Gas heater issue: BR advised that the unit has been purchased and will be installed shortly.
- Wage Rate Increase to be advised soon.
- Pennant discussions: Progress being made.
- Annual Subs by instalment: Members contributing. Results published soon.
- Bar Cooler insurance claim: In progress
- Annual Presentation Night: Arrangements being made.
- President/Captains Day catering arrangements: In progress.
- Seek approved access to Brighton Golf Course practice fairway for pennant teams: KB to contact LMS.



### **Mark Poulier**

**AUGUST Birdie Comp Winner** 

End of Highlights of Minutes of August CoM meeting.

### Special CoM Meeting Highlights - August 25th 2015

### **PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

KB stated that the purpose was to receive, consider and if thought fit pass both the Club Budget and Member Subscription amounts for the 2015/2016 golfing year.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Hon. Treasurer/President KB provided a comprehensive section by section resumè of the proposed Club Budget.

#### Income

The only reliable figures to work on in preparing the coming year's budget income are the current member numbers which are for 10 months out of the total 12 months of the current year. These cannot take into account the resignations which may occur as we have no way of accurately knowing what those numbers might be.

KB said "Our aim is not to lose any members but if we do we have to make them up as quickly as possible."

Potential future income as compared to current actual YTD income was considered and estimates made for likely total income as at Sept 30 2016.

No change in the Joining Fee charged to New Members

for the coming year. Our aim here is to make our offering as attractive as possible.

### Expenses

No significant additional expenses are anticipated for the clubrooms during coming year.

The expenses incurred with the upgrading of the Micropower system are unlikely to recur however the total expense may not be greatly different due to ongoing support.

Accounting expenses should remain similar along with Bank Charges which are now not covered by Interest Earned. Insurance costs are anticipated to rise although our printing costs should not increase.

Pennant expenses for the coming year have been increased slightly to allow for more flexibility in the program.

Social activities are another area of club life which is undergoing potential uplift in expenditure but with the aim of offsetting that increase in cost by a commensurate increase in income.

Utilities expenses (Electricity/Gas) are also under review with a deal to be struck soon with Origin Energy.

To assist with the conservation of energy all clubroom patrons are asked to turn power off when not being used. The result of the review coupled with the likely member numbers suggests a positive bottom line with a small surplus.

This does not include an allowance for Depreciation which is a non cash item in the Balance Sheet and is set aside each year to repair or replace items as required.

The whole basis upon which this budget has been predicated relies upon member numbers remaining at least where they are now but ideally increasing.

KB then presented the Member Subscriptions for the coming year which result from the proposed Club Budget. A direct comparison was made with the subs charged to members at the beginning of the current golfing year. Each component of the subs total amount was discussed in detail.

Whilst it was agreed to raise the House Account amount by \$15 from \$75 to \$90 all other components were retained as they are now. This has the effect of increasing the total subs amount by approx. 4% whilst retaining an unchanged club sub component.

It is worth noting the Club Rules stipulate that where an

increase to the Club Sub component is greater than 5% in any one year that increase must be approved by the members at an EGM or AGM. This very slight increase does not invoke that rule and therefore does not have to be put to the members for approval.

"Our aim is not to lose any members but if we do we have to make them up as quickly as possible."

BR suggested that to assist those members who have difficulty in spending their House account he would be happy to add new popular lines available for purchase over the bar.

KB indicated that the annual forfeiture by club members who had not spent the full amount of their House account went directly to the club's bottom line and improves the club's operating situation. This potential amount is not included in the proposed Club Budget for 2015/2016.

Given the length of time and effort devoted to the review and discussion of all aspects of both the Club Budget and Club Subs for 2015/2016 year it was moved that Cub Budget and Club Subs as presented be accepted. Carried unanimously.

This is an edited version of the minutes of the meeting. A hard copy transcript is available to members if so required.

Details of annual fees and the way in which they can be paid can be found on page 5.

### **Brighton Golf Club Annual Fees - 2015/2016**

Brighton Golf Club Inc		Ordinary			Social		Country	Restricted	Honorary	Honorary
Full Year		Playing	Junior	Social	Non	Country	Non	Golf	Life	Life
Fees (Inc GST)		Member	Playing	Playing	Playing	Playing	Playing	Access	Playing	Non Playin
(1/10/15 - 30/9/16)		Male/Female	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Micropower code		M=01 - F=02	03	04	07	05A	05	Adult=08AM 08AF	06	06A
(M/power code)								Junior=08JM 08JF		
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Subscriptions (Incl GST)		176.20	34.20	114.00	0.00	88.09	88.00	60.00	0.00	0.00
Affiliation Fees(IncGST)		70.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00
M/power code	M=AM - F=AF									
P.I.P Insurance(Inc GST)		8.80	8.80	11.00	0.00	8.80	0.00	9.00	0.00	0.00
M/power code	IN									
Golf Link Levy (Incl GST)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
M/power code	GL									
Competition Fee(Incl GST)		50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	17.11	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
M/power code	CF									
House A/c (Non GST)		90.00	0.00	90.00	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
M/power code	LB									
Total (Rounded up)		395.00	163.00	215.00	90.00	184.00	88.00	139.00	50.00	0.00
Agreed total amount		\$ 395.00	\$ 163.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 184.00	\$ 88.00	\$ 139.00	\$ 50.00	
Agreed total amount		4.03%	0.09%	7.31%	20.00%	0.38%	-0.11%	0.35%	-0.02%	

## **Brighton Golf Club Annual Fees - How to pay**

As has been noted in the minutes of the committee of management (CoM) meetings in previous pages it is the CoM's desire to make the payment of annual fees (Subs) as easy as possible. Much has been learnt since adopting the Micropower integrated accounting system and bugs associated with members payment of subs have largely been addressed. However should the need arise to seek assistance members are reminded that the CoM is ready to assist as required.

Members subs invoices are to be prepared on 23<sup>rd</sup> September and will be placed in the clubrooms on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Invoices uncollected by 13<sup>th</sup> October will be mailed to relevant members.

The following are some guidelines which we hope will assist all members in the payment of the subs but remember: <u>DO NOT PAY YOUR SUBS BEFORE 1st OCTOBER.</u>

Your subs invoice will detail various payment options:

- a) BPay
- b) Eftpos
- c) Cash or Cheque
- d) Website via the Members Login ClubLink.

### NOTE:

- 1. Due to the possibility of identification errors payment by EFT is not offered as an option.
- 2. Payments by Eftpos, cash or cheque may be declined if not accompanied by a remittance slip identifying the payee. So whether paying in person or by mail please include your remittance slip.

3. Payments using the Members portal on the BGC website is the easiest and most preferred method of payment, it is safe and secure. More than that, you can pay your subs either at home, at the clubrooms or wherever you are and you have a device connected to the Internet.

And there's more: If you use this method of payment your money is received direct into the BGC bank account and your Club account is updated immediately.

So, if you happen to be in the clubrooms and you pay your subs with a 'Smart' device your House Account will be immediately updated and you can buy a beer straight away - if you're thirsty that is.

#### BUT:

 You will need to know your ClubLink login details. If you don't have these please contact Geoff Hergt or Keith Beggs or Virginia Gattuso.



2. **MAKE SURE** that this button is clicked before proceeding to pay your subscriptions.

Good luck and yell out if you need help!

### **Captain's Report - August 2015**

Throughout July the Men have continued having a good number playing on Saturdays and Wednesdays despite the indifferent weather conditions. The Ladies on the other hand have been light on in numbers. Hopefully, when the weather picks we will see more of them back playing.

### **Club Representation**

On Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> the VGL Team Event was held at the Werribbee Park Golf Course in trying conditions with a very strong wind blowing. The Brighton team consisting of John Collins, Peter Jolly, Mark Oglethorpe and new Member Chris Sommervelle did very well to finish fourth on the day. However, that was not the end of it, as congratulations go to Peter Jolly, playing Werribbee for the first time, finished with the best individual score for the competition to keep Brighton's name on the winners list.

### **Bayside Golf Challenge**

On Sunday, August 23rd teams from Sandringham, Elsternwick and Brighton played for the annual Bayside Challenge Shield at the Brighton Golf Course. The competition consists of teams of 8 players playing Par with the aggregate total of each team determining the winner. The Brighton team of John Sutherland, Mark Oglethorpe, Ken Brown, John Collins, Jason Mills, Craig Mills, Mick Wilks and Gerard Gaud were quietly confident after winning this competition the last two years. After 9 holes the scores were very even with Elsternwick slightly ahead of Brighton and Sandringham bringing up the rear. Elsternwick who had not previously won this event continued to improve their position over the second 9, to the point where they won easily with a total score of 3 up. Brighton came in second with 12 down followed by Sandringham on 19 down. The Life Time Trophies award for the best individual round of the day came down to a count back with three players on 4 up. The winner was Andrew Pondage from Elsternwick. A special thank you to Karl Lindberg who provided a roast dinner after the match which was much appreciated and enjoyed by all the players.

### **Summer Shield Qualifying Round**

A reminder to the Men that the Par 4BBB to be played on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and the Stableford Aggregate Pairs to be played on August 29<sup>th</sup> are the qualifying rounds for the Pairs Match Play Championship. Pairs should nominate and play together in order to qualify. Pairs who wish to play in the Summer Shield must write the letter 'Q' on their scorecards. You only have to play in one of the qualifying rounds to be eligible and the top 16 pairs will advance to the knockout rounds.

As previously in pairs events with the new Leader Board System, each player will obtain their own score card and will nominate their playing partner when scanning the card after their round. The Leader Board will then calculate the final score of each pair.

### **Ladies Foursomes Championship**

A reminder to the Ladies that the Club Championship for Foursomes is to be played over two rounds on September 16<sup>th</sup> and September 23<sup>rd</sup>. This is a major trophy event so select your partner early before someone else grabs her.

### **Brighton vs Victorian Veterans G. C.**

The annual challenge match between the Victorian Veterans Golf Club and the Brighton Golf Club is to be held on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Brighton Golf Course.

If you would like to play please write your name on the list displayed on the scoreboard in the Club House before Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. A timesheet with the starting order will be displayed on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

The competition is Stableford and will be followed by a sumptuous roast dinner.

Cost per player is \$ 40.00 and for Platinum Card holders \$ 18.00.

# Glenn Martin Memorial Golf Day. (AFL Grand Final)

The competition on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October is to be a team event in Stroke Ambrose. This is to be a Guest Day, so invite your friends along. Teams can be all men or mixed with a maximum of two ladies per team. All players need to have a Golflink accredited GA Handicap.

The competition will be a SHOT GUN START at 8.00am so everyone can then do their own thing afterwards as far as the football is concerned.

**ENTRIES & PAYMENT MUST BE DONE THROUGH THE CLUB, by Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September,** so that the draw for starting holes can be arranged at least a week before the event.

The Club will be running a raffle on the day. Tickets will be sold and the winner announced in the Club House directly after the morning's golf.

As an added bonus the main sponsor for this day, **The House of Golf** will be giving every player a \$25.00 gift voucher to be used in the Bentleigh store. This store is managed by our own Innes Ireland and we thank him for his generous support of Club events.

John McCreery - Club Captain

### **Golf Rules...Continued**

Last month I suggested that we should review how we take relief.

Where would you go from the GUR on hole 7 if you were seeking relief from the right hand side near the bush? I have seen many golfers take advantage of a relief situation to gain an improper advantage.

In the picture below the player would be entitled to relief as this area is currently defined by the Match Committee as GUR. At some courses one MUST take relief from GUR but at Brighton this is not always the case.

Here on the 7<sup>th</sup> the player may play as it lies or take relief from the 'bunker'.

Unfortunately this relief has a nearest point in the bush.

You are <u>not</u> entitled to take relief from the bush or anywhere else.

The nearest point of relief is determined as the nearest point that

gives relief from the point in the GUR.



If it is dropped it would be in the bush and then it may be unplayable. Now it would be possible, with a penalty, to gain relief from the bush. In this case it may have been wiser to play it as it lies or call it unplayable in the 'bunker' as this would allow you to take relief as per the unplayable guidelines with a penalty. Do you remember these guidelines? Rule 28 clearly explains the options.

You may remember on the 11<sup>th</sup> that the GUR had a 'drop zone' marked out for many weeks earlier in the year.

Did you have to take a drop?

If so relief can be taken under:

- The Immovable Obstruction (Rule 24-2b or 24-3)
- Abnormal Ground Conditions (Rule 25-1b or 25-1c)
- Wrong Putting Green (Rule 25-3) situations

a player is entitled to a drop within <u>one (1) club length</u> from the nearest point of relief.

This point is found by:

- locating the nearest point at which a stroke may be played allowing for a stance outside the condition.
- 2. mark the spot where the ball would be for this shot.
- 3. measuring the one(1) club length distance from this position.
- 4. drop the ball within this distance but it may roll up to two(2) club lengths from the spot it landed.
- 5. if it rolls more or is closer to the hole, it should be re-dropped.
- if it fails to again satisfy the requirements, it should be placed at the point at which it had been dropped.

#### So remember:

- to consider the stance of a right or left handed player when determining where the nearest point of relief is for the player requesting relief.
- ii. relief does not have to improve the ability to play a stroke.
- iii. a reasonable stroke should be possible or it may be an unplayable lie.

Happy golfing till next month when we will again look at more pointers and suggestions pertaining to the Rules of Golf.





### Pennant Pre - Season: Bayside Golf Challenge

24 players, 8 each from Brighton, Sandringham, and Elsternwick did battle yesterday the 23rd August at Brighton golf course under sublime late winter conditions.

Elsternwick were clear and outright winners with a combined score of plus 3. Second was Brighton with minus 12, and Third Sandringham minus 26.

It was a spirited competition from the first tee and there were some promising results from John Collins who finished on plus 4 to be second on a count back for individual honours as was Jason Mills on plus 1. A powerful result would be expected at home but no cigar.

Brighton team included John Sutherland, Ken Brown, Cameron Mills, Mick Wilkes, Jason Mills, Mark Oglethorpe Gerard Gaud and John Collins. We needed a better par performance to take home the chocolates but it was clear that the best team won on the day.

Congratulations to John McCreery, and Karl Lindberg and Beau Roberts who served us great epicure back at the club. The handicap pennant squad for 2016 is settled now to 16 members.

I was going to request a special shirt and hat be ordered with committee approval to get team harmony under way.

The Players and Caddies will have a dual role of victorious performances. A squad that is proud to represent Brighton Golf Club.

Cameron Mills, Jason Mills, Shaun Barclay, Giles Toler, John Henderson, John Collins, Peter Walton, Glen Thomas, Mark Poulier, Chris Somervelle, Gary Murrels, James Gardiner, Gerard Gaud, David Lukeis, Peter Jolly and myself, the captain of the team Mark Oglethorpe.

16 for playing and or caddying. Selection based on current performances from now, the pre season, right through to the final in June 2016, will be selected for each round, will be final.

Yours Sincerely,

Mark Oglethorpe.

Good golfing and Go the Mighty Brights.







### **The Brighton Golf Club Future Fund**

As a member of Brighton Golf Club you might be inclined to ask: Why does the club hold a significant amount of cash in a CBA bank account called "The Future Fund"? And furthermore: How did we actually manage to save that money?

At the September 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 Committee of Managment meeting a motion was put and carried: "That an account be created in the club's name called the BGC Future Fund to hold, at call, club monies not required in the foreseeable future."

On October 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 a new (on call) bank account was arranged with the CBA named the **BGC Future Fund** (BGCFF) and an amount of funds was transferred from the existing 'on call' BOS account into the BGCFF account which has since been topped up with monthly interest.

The BOS account simply holds monies from the cheque account which is not needed in the short term but is 'on call' for whenever it is needed such as for the payment of Insurance and Affiliation fees in the first quarter of the Club year.

The original money in this account was slowly set aside, little by little, over many years, in our BOS account by our Honorary Treasurers for the purpose of assisting us members in maintaining the long-term financial well-being of our Club, particularly regarding the Club house.

The new and separate CBA bank account "Future Fund" was set up to show to members that this money is for expected future Club building and equipment repairs and/or replacement.

This account is particularly important to our Club members as we are unlikely to be offered a bank loan from any bank to cover any expensive building repairs, because we do not meet normal profitability on trading to serve such a loan.

We need to accept, like most responsible property owners do, that assets such as our Club house building and Club equipment does deteriorate over time and eventually needs to be repaired and/or replaced.

Our "asset depreciation" account intends to reflect this "loss of value" over time, and importantly is shown in our financial accounts. Our "Future Fund" account can be seen as our version of an "asset repair/replacement account" and is vital if we are to maintain our Club building and Club equipment, without having to resort to an unpopular "levy" on all members to cover such Club building repairs and/or equipment replacement.

If we compare our Club to a commercial organisation relying on productive machinery, to make a profit, the continual loss of value in the machinery, due to use and age, would be covered by setting aside money from a profit account to a "depreciation account', and the money saved in that account would then be available to buy the replacement machinery, without causing financial stress on the organisation.

This is common business sense and as you can see, so is the "Future Fund" account for our Club. Therefore it must not be seen as anything else by Club members than an important "insurance measure" to assist our Club's "survival" in potential difficult times ahead, when our building and equipment will, without doubt, require attention.

Karl Lindberg - Vice President

# Annual Subs!....Up Front or by Instalment!

In the July 2015 edition of BGC News, on page 3, I inserted an article with an embedded link with which members could register their interest in this subject.

Sadly, of the 200 or so readers of the July 2015 newsletter only four (4) Members saw fit to respond.

Due to this tardy response using the electronic method I supplied hard copy Survey Forms in the clubhouse and got a more responsive result. Out of the 70 forms issued and received 75% were happy to continue to pay their subs up front - clearly a case of "if it ain't broke don't bother fixing it"

My thanks to those that responded.

Keith Beggs - Hon. Treasurer

## **Hyperlinks - Welcome to the 21st Century**

Reading though the BGC News you may come across some curious forms of punctuation and some funny looking arrows and shapes etc.

The BGC News starts life by being created in a program called Serif PagePlus X8, which is a bit like Microsoft Word but friendlier, and then converted into the universal format known as a PDF file - or Portable Document Format - which anyone with a PC, Mac or portable device can access and view. To view PDF files you will need the free download called **Adobe Reader** which is available here: https://get.adobe.com/reader/

Here's some of the things to look for:

**Hyperlinks** - A hyperlink is a word, phrase, or image that you can click on to jump to an internet document or video or a section within the current document. When navigating through the newsletter and you see the mouse cursor change to the shape of a hand this will indicate a hyperlink.

A hyperlink will usually be indicated by an arrow or underlined text which will be shaded in blue.

The hyperlink may take you to:

- a) A page within the document. E.g. click <u>here</u> and you will be taken to the front page of this newseletter.
- b) A notice which may be located on the BGC wesbite. E.g. click <u>here</u> and you will be taken to the latest BGCWC results.
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at your leisure. E.g. Click <u>here</u> and you will connect to the latest OTG magazine.

The other form of Hyperlink used in this journal is a hyperlink which connects you to an internet video.

The Brighton Golf Club has it's own YouTube account and videos created by the editor are uploaded to YouTube for ease of viewing. It's secure and easy to use - give it a try.



Click on the hyperlink arrow at left and see what happens! You will be able to view any of the 10 videos uploaded since April 27<sup>th</sup> 2013.

Other Internet videos which might be sent to me by members or others for publication in the newsletter usually have this type of indication attached to a snapshot of the movie.

Just click anywhere on the photo below and you will see a demo video taken of the Brighton Golf Course with a drone aircraft by Aaron Rajamoney.



Please feel free to contact me at any time should you need any further information or assistance with hyperlinks.

Keith Beggs

### **BGC 2015 Melbourne Cup Raffle**



Corey Brown riding Shocking wins the Melbourne Cup in 2009

Following on the heals of last year's successful Caulfield Cup Raffle the BGC this year is running a raffle for the 2015 Melbourne Cup.

Books of tickets are being organised and will soon be mailed to each BGC member with a covering letter.

Tickets are \$5.00 each.

Horses will be drawn on Monday 4th November 2015 following final acceptances and those lucky enough to draw one of the 24 horses will be immediately notified by phone.

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