

# **Special Edition NAGC Newsletter**

# **CONSIDER ONCE AGAIN THE NEED TO PLAY**

We appeal to all members to reconsider the need to play golf during the suspension of official competitions. More than 30 of our members played on Thursday; while some have specific health needs to continue with outdoor exercise, official advice from SA Health, the Federal Government and emergency services is that citizens should remain at home unless it is necessary to go out.

As one of the oldest sporting clubs in Adelaide we should be setting a strong example that we are willing to make personal sacrifices to protect the wider community.

### **PUTTING MEMBERS AT RISK**

We do not want any of our members to come down with COVID-19, especially those in the vulnerable older age groups. Please maintain the five steps recommended by the World Health Organisation (WHO); 1. wash your hands, 2. maintain social distancing, 3.avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth, 4. cover your nose and mouth with bent elbow if you sneeze or cough and 5. if you have symptoms of illness, immediately self-isolate and seek advice from the COVID-19 hotline,

## **CONTROL ON THE COURSE**

The course is open to social players, but a majority of the Council staff and casuals have been stood down. While it's expected that other players will abide by social distancing rules, there is no guaranteed control of that which puts you at risk.

### **RETRIEVAL OF CLUBS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Council advises that the locker room will be open at the following times if anyone wishes to retrieve their property:

Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> between 7.00am – 10.00am

Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup> between 7.00am - 10.00am

Tuesday March 31<sup>st</sup> between 7.00am – 10.00am.

There will be no further opportunity to retrieve any personal property outside these times.

## **APPEAL TO CONTINUE MEMBERSHIP**

We look forward to resuming club play after this period of suspension, so if you intend to continue membership of the Club we ask that wherever possible you renew your club membership of \$290. You can pay online through your "My Account". Bob will be able to email you a receipt.

We thank the majority of members who have already renewed. The Committee will be looking at rewarding such members who continue membership either by pro- rata extension or other favourable conditions. We have kept membership at 2019 rates.

If you wish to renew your green fees the Council have guaranteed to extend on a pro-rata basis should the course be closed. Council green fees increase as at July 1<sup>st</sup> each year and we do not know at this stage if this will still be the case but please be assured that we will be negotiating to achieve the best possible outcome.

### **EXCLUSION FROM OUR OFFICE**

The Club does not have access to our office for the closure, however, we do have remote IT access for our Secretary Manager, Bob Naffin, to work from home. He is available by phone on M: 0407182755 and by Email: <a href="mailto:admin@nagc.org.au">admin@nagc.org.au</a>

Our financial year ends on March 31<sup>st</sup> so we will be working to finalise all accounts as best we can.

## **AGM AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

At this stage we are uncertain of the date of the AGM, should it be delayed, and we are also using the Executive Committee to make decisions whenever necessary. Our full Committee meeting in April is likely to be done via email and IT-based meeting

## **BUDGETS**

We are well advanced with several draft budgets for 2020/2021 to account for changing conditions. We are currently in a sound financial position to get through this crisis.

We will do everything we can to keep information flowing to members.

### **POST COVID-19**

We are a fantastic club who all combine to provide a great social and competitive environment. We are not just a golf club — we are a community who look after each other and enjoy interaction on many levels. Let's come out of this on the other side all healthy and ready to resume the game we all treasure.

Stay safe and be responsible.

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Kevin Naughton, Immediate Past President