



# ANNUAL REPORT

2010 – 2011

# SHEPPARTON GOLF CLUB – ANNUAL REPORT 2010/2011

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shepparton Golf Club Inc. will be held in the Clubhouse on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2011 at 8p.m.

## Business:-

1. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
2. To receive and consider the reports and financial statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2011.
3. To elect the office bearers
4. To appoint an auditor
5. Any other business normally transacted at an Annual General Meeting  
Graham Scott – Club President

## Proposed Office Bearers 2011 – 2012:-

President.....Graham Scott	Vice President.....Barry Hobbs
Captain.....Bob Dixon	Vice Captain.....Mark Washington
Treasurer.....Ben Snow	Social Chairperson.....Nigel Shellie
Course & Greens.....Nick Munari	Property Chairperson.....Lloyd Ohlin
Lady President.....Di Ingram	Lady Captain.....Norma Pollock

## Notices of Motion:-

That subscriptions for the year 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2011 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 be set as follows:-

FULL Membership	: \$725 (commences 1/10/11 to 30/9/12)
COUNTRY Membership	: \$315 (outside 50 Kms.)
INTERMEDIATE Membership	: \$404 (18 – 23yrs)
JUNIOR Membership	: \$80 (U18 yrs – age at 1/10/2011)
SUMMER Membership	: \$373 (commences 1/10/11 to 31/3/12)
VETERAN Membership – over 10 yrs:	\$435 (65yrs and over)
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BEGINNER Membership	: \$223 (6 months only)
LIFE Subscriber	: \$42
SOCIAL Membership	: \$15 (this incl. “Happy Hour” Fridays 5–6pm and 10% off all Green Fees)

All golf memberships inclusive of GST & VGA Affiliation fee of \$35.

**Moved:-** Graham Scott(President) **Seconded:-** Barry Hobbs(Vice President)

Bowls Membership	: \$100 (does not incl. Affiliation fee.) Available from Bowls Club Golf Drive, Shepparton.
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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

It is with great pleasure that I present my report for the year 2010/2011.

There are many facets that constitute the Shepparton Golf Club, and each involves people who strive to ensure the success of the Club. A measure of that success is the positive comments from members and visitors on the outstanding condition of the course, the excellent facilities and the welcoming atmosphere generated by staff and members.

Most recently, many members have frequently stated that they have never seen our course look better, a tribute to the attention, skills and dedication of Bill Daunt and his staff. It is obvious they have great pride in producing what many believe to be one of the best country courses in Victoria.

Our Course and Greens Committee under the chairmanship of Nick Munari works closely with Bill in maintaining and developing the course. Nick has personally spent many hours working at the club, along with a willing band of volunteers to establish new garden beds and paths, and maintain and rejuvenate old ones. The results greatly enhance the pleasure of a round of golf. The redeveloped 16<sup>th</sup> tee is a big improvement and will soon be in operation.

Our Property Chairman, Lloyd Ohlin, is another who has spent countless volunteer hours at the club, maintaining our facilities and, of course, building the new machinery shed. Lloyd and Bill have worked closely together to ensure a cost efficient, satisfactory result is achieved within regulatory constraints. During the year, there has also been some much needed and necessary renovations to the Course Superintendent's house. Our thanks to Ross Hyde and Bryan Scott for their assistance with this.

Clubhouse functions and motel use continue to increase with bookings already received well in to next year. Golfing groups frequently book dates a year ahead and many have become long time regular visitors. The success of these functions is directly attributable to our office, catering and bar staff, who go out of their way to ensure guests are afforded the highest level of service and satisfaction. Their friendly, welcoming attitude and quality of service to both members and guests is commendable.

It was with a tinge of sadness that we recently farewelled Felicity Stephens, who decided to retire from her role as Catering Manager. Felicity came in to this role at a difficult time for our club, and has established a fine reputation for the standard of catering our club presents, thanks to her expertise and management skills, and the dedication of her staff. We wish Felicity and long and happy retirement, and sincerely thank her for the valuable contribution she has made to our Club. Gary Goodman has been appointed Catering Manager. Gary's expertise in this area is undoubted as displayed in the most recent Bistro smorgasbord held during our Spring Tournament.

Sue Otto and her bar staff have again provided members and guests with friendly, convivial service. Sue manages all bar operations and staffing, but also plays a major role in the planning and conduct of functions and Club activities, enhancing our reputation as a function venue.

Annie McCrabb, our Office Manager, and Erane Goodman continue to provide excellent service in their administrative roles. They play a vital role as first contact with our Club, and their friendly, welcoming, co-operative approach is appreciated by all. Visitors and guests often comment on the wonderful service they receive. Personally, I thank them for supporting me in my role as President with their invaluable knowledge and advice.

The Match Committee under Captain Bob Dixon and Vice Captain Mark Washington, have successfully managed our wide variety of golfing activities for the year, including regular competition days, tournaments, pennant etc. I would like to particularly highlight the junior program, driven by Mark Washington and Shane McDonald with the assistance of others, including Dave Trower and Ashley Blake. Their initiative and enthusiasm for the development of juniors will hopefully provide us with future valuable members and contributors to our Club.

Thanks to the Pro Shop boys, David Trower, Tim Watson and Stuart Revell, who continue to provide valuable assistance with golfing activities, including tournaments, trade days, promotions, green fee players etc. Special thanks to Tim for his extra assistance with our tournament registrations, fields, draws, trophies and sponsors. We also congratulate him on becoming a trainee professional during the year and wish him well in his endeavours. Our Pro Shop is the envy of many, and members should try and support David with their business, as he supports us.

Our Annual Corporate Cup continues to be the major fundraiser for our Club thanks to the Corporate Cup Committee under the Chairmanship of Ken Baxter. The planning and organisation for this event commenced in July and again promises to be a successful day, despite economic restraints in the corporate world. A special thank you to Ray Sharawara who has stood down from the Committee. Ray has been on the Committee since its inception, and his initiative, ideas, contacts and drive have been a major force in the success of this event. We sincerely thank him, knowing that his help and advice is available at any time.

Thanks also to Tom Downie who initiated and organised a Flood Relief Day in February. We were able to contribute generously to the Red Cross Flood Appeal, a great result. Thank you to the volunteers who assisted in running the event and to all volunteers who have so willingly given of their time to assist in the many activities of the Club, both on the course and in the clubhouse.

The Big Band Carvery in February, organised by Nigel Shellie, was a standout social success. With the continued support of members and guests, Nigel is hoping hopeful of initiating more social activities in the coming year.

Our major raffle, organised by Barry Hobbs with the assistance of the office staff, was once again a success. Thanks to the generous donors of prizes, and indeed to all sponsors and donors who continually support our Club throughout the year. They provide vital financial assistance to us, and I am confident members endeavour to support them whenever possible.

I firmly believe that members appreciate regular communication from the club, informing them of activities, planning, issues and celebrations. Avenues we use are emails, the newsletter, forums, our website, clubhouse TV monitors, and flyers and notices in the clubrooms, Pro shop and locker rooms.

We have also initiated a marketing and promotions group to develop a marketing plan and policy, and implement measures to ensure the wider golfing community of Victoria is aware of what we have to offer at our Club, in an endeavour to attract more members and visitors. The Members Draw is one initiative designed to encourage more members to be in attendance at presentations on Saturday. Attendances have been increasing as the jackpot grows.

Lady members have enjoyed another successful year, thanks to their hard working Committee under the capable leadership of outgoing President Carolyn Scott and Captain Di Hands. Both have been highly active and valuable members of the Committee of Management and I thank them sincerely. Welcome to new lady President, Di Ingram and Captain, Norma Pollock.

Our treasurer Ben Snow has again done a wonderful job of managing our finances, and I am extremely grateful for his support and expertise. Ben has been keen to keep members informed of our financial situation with several newsletter updates throughout the year.

To all members of the Committee thank you for your continued support and efforts throughout the year, and particularly to Barry Hobbs, who so ably acted in the role of President in my absence. I believe we all share the same aim of providing our members with a course and facilities that is the envy of many, and of which we can be justifiably proud.

Congratulations to all winners throughout the year, and thank you to all members who have participated in the life of the club. I wish you continued enjoyment at Shepparton Golf Club.

Graham Scott

President

# Captain's Report 2011

The Shepparton Golf Club has once again provided a wonderful Golf Course.

Hopefully the members realize what a marvellous facility we have to socialise and enjoy each others company whilst trying to 'better' the golf course.

Bill Daunt, Damien and their team provide the members with a course comparable to any outside of Melbourne.

Lloyd Ohlin has been heavily involved with Bill's shed which is still a work in progress. When finished will provide Bill and the boys with a safe working environment that will assist them to continue their great work.

Our Catering team has been provided by Felicity and Sue along with their staff in a very professional and courteous manner. Many thanks to Felicity. We wish you well in your retirement. Welcome to Gary Goodman whom I am sure will provide members, guests and visitors with a first class catering service.

David Trower and Tim Watson have been of great assistance in providing members with great service and assisting the Match Committee in the daily running of Events and Tournaments. Many thanks to David and his staff.

Many thanks to Mark & Sharon Washington & David Trower & helpers for the wonderful work they do with the Juniors.

A big thank you to Annie and Erane. Their support has been outstanding and of great assistance to me.

I have enjoyed working with our going Ladies Captain Di Hands. Good Luck with your Bowls. Welcome to Norma Pollock whom I am looking forward to working with for the next twelve months.

Vice Captain Mark Washington has done a power of work in organising Sponsors and generally running the Tournaments. Aply assisted by Shane McDonald, Robert Handley and the other Match Committee personnel. The Club and myself are very appreciative of the outstanding efforts of Mark.

Congratulations to the winning Division .2. Pennant Team. Simon Michel, Geoff Devin, Lachlan Devine, Vinnie Chan and Jeremy Rath. Also the winning Junior Pennant Team. Kyle Michel, Lachlan Devine, Jordon Ridd, Jesse Trower and Josh Revell.

Jesse Trower has enjoyed a great year. Winning two Monthly Medals at eleven years of age. He is also representing Shepparton in the Victorian Primary Schools Championships at Glenelg, Adelaide early November. Good Luck Jesse.

Whilst Jesse was by far the youngest to win a Monthly Medal, Walter Lee at 82 years of age was also successful in winning a Monthly Medal. Proving age is no barrier.

Kyle Michel also had done well during the year. Kyle was fifth in the State Under sixteens. Made the Semi Final in Victorian Boys Championships and is in the Under Sixteen boys squad. Good Luck Kyle for the coming season.

Mitchell Bover is possibly the youngest Winner of the Medalist of the Year. Well done Mitchell.

Ashley Blake is in the Victorian State Colt Team and was also a member of the Kingswood Winning VGA Division One Pennant Team.

Ashley also won three Ivo Whitten events. Goonawarra, Rossdale and Heathcote. He is tenth on the Ivo Whitten table.

Ash works very hard on his game and deserves his success. The Club wishes him well for the future.

Country Member Dean Dixon is the current Club Champion at Victoria Golf Club. Luke Dixon also a Country Member of Eastern Golf Club and current Club Champion. Luke also won Shepparton's Open 36 Hole Tournament.

Congratulations to the following Winners of Major Events throughout the Year.

Club Champion	Daniel Adem
B Grade Champion	Clem Robl
C Grade Champion	Craig Mathison
D Grade Champion	Greg Newman
Veteran Champion	Vinnie Chan
Junior Champion	Kyle Michel
GMCU Fourball	Troy Carboon & Jarrod Prescott
Legacy	Craig Evans
RSL	Dennis Cathie
Captains Trophy	Robin Stone
Medalist of the Year/Lawton Family	Mitchell Bover
HF Lightfoot	Mick Mulligan & Cheryl Mahon
Dixon Family Trophy	Dean Dixon
Frank Handley Memorial	Tony Kelly
Murray Slee Singles Knockout	Symon Bell
Summer Fourball	Greg Scanlon & Jesse Trower

Finally, I appreciate the commitment of my Match Committee. Mark Washington, Shane McDonald, Robert Handley, Brad 'Chips' McMennemin, James Faram, David Trower, Greg Scanlon, Alan Schmedje and Di Hands.

Bob Dixon  
Club Captain.

## **Treasurers Report**

Shepparton Golf Club recorded a healthy profit of \$102,741 for the full financial year. This figure was made up of \$159,597 operational profit which was offset by (\$72,389) depreciation of plant, equipment and fixtures, with adjustments from abnormal items being \$15,533 in our favour.

Our bar, catering and motel gross sales were on a par with 2010 financial year, however our net profit was up 5% on last year. This is despite our costs of bar products increasing almost 4% or \$7,543. The rise in net profit is significantly attributable to a decrease in staffing costs and better rostering. It is pleasing to note that all input costs have been managed better and help feed the improved trading result.

Membership sales increased by \$17,990 whilst competition and green fees remained about the same.

Course expenditure was down by some \$20,000, a result of lower expenditure on pump and bore

pump electricity usage, staff wages and fertilisers and chemicals. Administrative overheads were also down by almost \$20,000 with a reduction in wages costs and affiliation fees

We were able to get paid for a number of years Diesel Fuel Rebate from the ATO of just over \$8,000, traineeship grants for some of our staff, \$10,000 of tree levy donations for 2011 (similar amount was recorded in 2010) and a large State Revenue Office refund of land tax for more than \$27,000, of which \$9,000 is included in the abnormal income. Affiliation fees were lower by almost \$8,000 due to better membership number recording and reporting.

### **Membership numbers**

Our membership numbers have increased in the financial year and we will indeed keep working hard to both offer our existing members value for money, whilst at the same time encouraging new members to come along.

No doubt the success of the club both socially and financially depends on strong member numbers and it must continue to be a significant committee priority in the forthcoming year.

### **Capital Expenditure**

A number of items have been raised as items of expenditure required by the club. Our first priority lays with the building of the new Greenkeeper's shed. Other items include a new register operating system for the bar, new tables and chairs for the clubhouse and a Combi oven for functions. Several events are in the pipelines to assist in the funding of the clubhouse furniture. Some new course equipment has also been ordered at about \$100,000 changeover, which will be

financed over 4 years and is accounted for in the equipment budget.

With thanks

Ben Snow

Treasurer

## MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS – 2011

as at 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2011.

		<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
• Honorary Life Members	:	6	7
• Life Subscribers	:	9	13
• Ordinary Members	:	406	395
• Veterans Members – over 10 yrs.	:	111	100
• Veteran Members – under 10 yrs.	:	11	10
• Country Members	:	70	60
• Intermediate Members	:	4	12
• Junior Members	:	37	31
• Summer Members	:	48 + 3 contra	46
• Non-playing Members	:	10	3
• Beginner Members	:	2	5
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## GREENS & COURSE REPORT

Since accepting the position of chairman following the retirement of past chairman Brett Johnstone, committee members Trevor Tenant, Peter Junior and of late Shireen Moore all of whom we acknowledge their valued contribution over recent years, I have come to realize the added responsibility and commitment along with the present members to uphold the highest standard of our course within our capabilities to ensure members fully enjoy their golf and I hope that has been successfully achieved to a satisfactory level. I, therefore, invite all to reflect on some of the important events and happenings that have eventuated over the past twelve months.

*Our current committee members consist of Nick Munari, Tom Brain, Ron Wilkinson, Heather Brain, Bill Daunt.*

*The summer of 2010/11: Who can forget it! The best drenching in a dozen years creating lush growth of grass and plantlife but conversely causing twice-weekly fairway cutting and frequently much destruction to bunkers thus sending ground staff into overdrive. Drainage pits in bunkers became an added and necessary activation. It's pleasing to know that this forthcoming summer our water allocation will be nigh 100%.*

*A huge setback during this period was the depletion of ground staff due to illness, leave, school attendance for several and one member transferring to America causing the processing and appointment of a new member in Shannon O'Brien.*

*To comply with course rating standards introductions became necessary to the course such as contouring fairway variations. This has been designed to accommodate big hitters and average golfers alike.*

*Communication to members: A new innovation has been regular updates of monthly articles via the newsletters to keep members adrift of relevant course happenings.*

*Tree Levy: introduced as part of our tree removal and replacement program as an ongoing project. Gardening enthusiasts can appreciate the numerous young plants displaying rapid, healthy growth at this time of the year yet volunteers will be required to assist in watering such over coming months.*

*Gardening enhancement: The creation of new, colourful beds have added splashes of colour to the course surrounds.*

*Machinery Shed: Currently, our greatest acquisition and well overdue. When completed, will be a "state of the art" hub for staff to operate more effectively.*

*Landcare Project: initiated by guru, Royce Dickson and his helpers has resulted in 90 odd young plants located at right hand side of 7<sup>th</sup> men's tee and beyond 16<sup>th</sup> green...courtesy of a government grant procured by Royce.*

*16<sup>th</sup> men's tee: Has finally come to fruition after many years of deliberation, thanks to ground staff and volunteers. Some landscaping to be added to the front and part rear of tee.*

*Support & Appreciation of Services: Heartful thanks to the following for outstanding support throughout the year.*

- *Retiree volunteers.*
- *General Committee.*
- *Ladies for garden care assistance.*
- *Pro shop staff.*
- *Greens & Course committee members.*
- *Many others who have helped towards course upkeep.*

*Special thanks to Bill Daunt & his staff for their continued presentation of the course whilst at times combatting difficult weather conditions.*

**CONCLUSION:** As one who spends much time pottering around the course and conversing with many visitors, I can emphatically state that our course reputation is spreading far & wide, it being often for many groups the first stopover of a northern Victorian golf circuit.

*Nick Munari (Chairman)*

## **Property Chair Report 2010/11**

**The new machinery shed** was built, after visiting with Bill Daunt, a number of Golf Clubs around Melbourne and neighbouring towns. After looking at the cost of building shed on a new location, we decided to build over existing shed so Bill and his staff could still operate. We will require volunteer labour from members to help level floor for concreting and then dismantle old shed within new shed to start after Corporate Cup. This will be required on Mondays and Wednesday with a 4.30 start or other times if necessary. We had to slow down the work around the new shed while applying for a grant for tanks to reclaim the rain water from roof because of advice received from City Council who are assisting us with applying for grant. Should we be successful we will have a minimum of 2 maybe 3 250litre water tanks at a very small cost to the Golf Club.

I must thank Bill for the amount of hours of his own time he has put into finding the information required to apply for the grant.

### **Pump Well**

After a fair amount of damage to the river bank at pumps well we started a feasibility study into the cost of replacing pump well (if required) and the condition of well and suction line into river. The height of the weir below the pump has been lifted with a fish ladder build on the golf side of river which brings some concern to us because of silt that now flow straight past our pumps. We have also spent a lot of time getting information at the cost of running the old well pump and if we would find a substantial saving in having new pump all this has been carried by trips to Melbourne to consult with pump experts. On site visits with Brian McNamara (Engineer) who has many years experience with the river authority. Brian also advised on types of new pump station, cost and how to apply for permission to replace old pump station if and when required to do so.

### **Dam**

We have been building up the east and south/east end of dam wall to stop flood flowing over the top and doing damage like the last flood that washed away part of dam bank. Thanks to Ross Anderson for all the fill.

### **Bore**

We will be testing and doing a review of the bore in the new year to gauge the amount of salt content and if the amount of water in bore has increased since the drought has broken.

### **Car Park and House Blocks**

Member will notice that once the rain started we had major flooding problems around the main golf entrance and the low block owned by club. I borrowed Ross Andersons excavator and found the end of old drain pipe, it had been covered over when work was carried out constructing drive ways into blocks owned by club. We then had to dig a drain between blocks and car park to take water into drain that flows down the back of cart shed and across in to new estate drain.

## **Bills House**

Very much needed repairs and maintenance has been carried out on the house owned by Club. A new laundry has been built on west corner of veranda. Roof has been repaired and leaking gutters replaced. Barbecue area has been built at very little cost to Club using left over materials from Club house project, a lot of the work was carried out by club members. Thanks to Ross Hyde, Nigel Shellie, Brian Scott, Brian Wilson & Col Haigh. Thanks boy job well done.

## **Fire Hydrant**

As per building plans we had to build a hydrant near new machinery shed this meant laying a pipe from the ninth fairway to shed all work done by Dads Army and some lady members. Thanks to all who helped.

## **On going work and maintenance**

There is and will be plenty of work that can be done by club members on a no pay basis which will help to keep our fees down. Shed to be finished, painting around club house and motel, repairs to machines. We are now looking for more grant money which requires the Club to put up some cash this can be offset by work in kind. Example if we win a Grant on a 2 to 1 basis where the Government gives us \$2 for every \$1 dollar of club money we can bring this down to 50 cents by work in kind. So please become a Volunteer

Thanks to all members support over the last twelve months.

Lloyd Ohlin

PROPERTY CHAIR

## SOCIAL CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

It is with great pleasure I present the social committee report for the past year. It has been a year with some of the biggest social nights with over 200 people enjoying the clubs fine food and local entertainment especially that of some club members (Chris Bell and Dave Faram). The club has also seen a great number of visitors to the club for dinners and functions which is what our club can only grow on with future development.

This year has also seen the retirement of Felicity from running the functions; we are grateful for the dedicated and tireless work Felic has put over the many years and hope she enjoys her future travels. With Gary Goodman taking over the reins we are well on the way to continuing the great job from the kitchen to promote functions.

The last 6 months has seen the ever popular Friday bistro well supported with numbers always over 100 attendees. And more recently with Gary creating smorgasbord evenings has ensured that these nights are quickly booked out. These will continue next year as well in the pipe line we have a few special nights for all to enjoy. Hope you have all enjoyed your year at the club and look forward to your continued support to the coming events in 2012.

Nigel Shellie

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### LADY PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2011

It is with pleasure that I present my final report as Lady President of Shepparton Golf Club.

The AGM was held on November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, with Life Member, Jeanne Dainton, in attendance to present office bearers and committee members with their badges.

Many lady members assisted the Corporate Cup in November by filling show bags, assisting with waiting on tables at lunch and after golf and also the big job of cleaning up the clubhouse. Thank you to all ladies who help the club with this event each year.

Our 2010 Christmas lunch was again very well attended with our designated charity, Make -A-Wish, receiving a cheque for \$300.00. Gordon Pendlebury, representing Walls and Windows presented Paua Dixon with a putter to acknowledge her 'hole in one' earlier in the year.

Thirteen past lady presidents, two of whom are life members, and one other life member attended our President's Opening Day lunch on March 2<sup>nd</sup> together with GVLGA President Lois Pope, Club President, Graham Scott and Club Captain Bob Dixon.

This year we had teams from seventeen clubs competing for our Challenge Bowl, with sponsorship again generously donated by the family of the late Joyce (Broadbent) Elsworthy. It is gratifying that two of Joyce's daughters bring teams from Peninsula and Kingston Heath to our Bowl each year. Roslyn Sharawara and her expert planning team, together with a willing band of volunteers ensured the catering was up to our usual exemplary standard. The whole day ran very smoothly due to the attention paid to planning and organisation by Di Hands, Norma Pollock, Match Committee members and other ladies who assisted with registration and results. A special thank you to Jo Barker who again supplied a hand crafted silver bracelet as the main 'raffle' prize.

The finals of the Club Championships were held on Sunday of the long weekend in June and I congratulate the winners, Kim Morris, Greta Keenan and Rosemary Tyquin. The timing of the final was unfortunate as a number of lady members were unable to participate due to the scheduling of the final.

Captain's versus President's day saw success going to the Captain's team this year and it was fantastic to again see so many past captains enjoying the get together.

Thank you to Diane Ingram, Vice President, who has continued to be of great support to me and has deputised most capably in my absence.

Captain Di Hands and Vice Captain Norma Pollock have, with their match committee, combined very well to ensure our calendar of events ran smoothly. Thank you to all involved.

Thank you to Secretary Cheryl Mahon who continues to astound me with her attention to detail and organisational skills. Likewise to Treasurer Margie Sneyd, who keeps our finances accurately accounted for. This year, from our funds, we assisted the Club by providing scrim curtains to the ground floor motel units.

Handicapper Shireen Moore caused us all immense concern due to ill health in March and Heather Brain capably assumed the position in Shireen's absence. We were all

pleased to see Shireen return to golf. Thank you both for your work as handicappers. We will miss Shireen on our committee and thank her for her commitment.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of Roslyn Sharawara, we continue to enjoy magnificent sponsorship. Roslyn will be sadly missed as a committee member and all lady members appreciate the great work she has done with both sponsorship and catering.

Tournament Secretary, Gayle Steers has once again made sure we were all kept abreast of Bowls and tournaments and has followed this up by playing at numerous courses both in the district and Women's Golf Victoria events. Thank you Gayle.

The creative team of Diane Ingram, Heather Phillips, Vivien Harding and, retiring committee member, Chrissie Hall add special touches to occasions like Opening Day, the Bowl and Presentation Night and ensure we all have lots of social fun together.

The trips away to Healesville and Deniliquin this year proved to be most successful as were the pennant dinners.

Congratulations to President Graham Scott, Captain Bob Dixon and the Committee of Management for your commitment to the Shepparton Golf Club.

Thank you to David Trower and his pro-shop staff and also Bill Daunt and his dedicated staff who, with the help of volunteers at working bees, continue to keep our course in magnificent condition.

Thank you to our office and bar staff who have willingly provided assistance whenever I have asked for it. Special thanks to Felicity Stephens who has catered for us so magnificently and best wishes from all the Lady Members for a long and happy retirement. We look forward to a good working relationship with incoming catering manager, Gary Goodman.

I thank all Lady Members for the privilege you afforded me to be your President for the past two years. I have enjoyed the experience immensely and wish Diane Ingram all the best for her term as Lady President.

Carolyn Scott

Lady President 2011