



Wantima News

Chairman's Report — Bob Lorenz

Well another year has come and gone and I would like to introduce the newly re-elected board of directors. The same team we had last term were reinstated and they are along with myself, Vice Chairman - Dennis Hargreaves, Golf Director - Jason Young, Grounds Director - Peter Mitchell and Finance Director John Riseley.

I look forward to working with these guys again for a second term and trust that if anyone has any issues or questions that you feel comfortable enough to come and talk to one of us.

One the golfing front I would like to congratulate several of our members for their outstanding achievements throughout the year with some still happening and they are Dylan Brown,

Katrina Jones, Cameron Smith and Wendy O'Connell.

It is terrific that such a small club like ours is able to produce champions of this nature and I would like to wish each of them all the very best for their respective futures whatever that may bring.

With Christmas just around the corner I would like to say a big thank you to our staff and Tom and his staff for their efforts this year and trust you all have a safe and prosperous festive season and come back better and keener than ever to get your game mastered.

Don't forget the men's golf AGM in a few weeks and as usual we are always looking for the volunteers to nominate

and hold a position of committee. The ladies committee again has been settled upon and I trust you all will find them and thank them for their efforts throughout the coming year.

Early in the new year keep an eye on the notice board as the Board will be posting our future long term strategy /plan for course improvements and with any luck and little rain (less than last year I hope) we hope to have some of these projects up and running.

Again, merry Christmas and I trust you will all stay safe and I look forward to seeing you in 2012.

Bob Lorenz
Chairman



Men's Captain — Michael Steele

Dear Members,

I can't believe how quickly the year has gone. What a contrast we are have experienced. From the floods in January and February to the excellent conditions we are now enjoying. Feedback from many sources reinforces our club has weathered this challenging year very well.

All our major events have now been completed and congratulations to all the winners. I am looking forward to our presentation night in late November and be able to present the trophies (and to get them off my work bench in my garage!!!). Within the wider golfing community it has been great watching both our Ladies, Men and Juniors perform with distinction within the regional and National competitions. I know many

were enjoying watching Cameron Smith's progress during the Australian Open.

During the year, there were several people who provided much assistance in the running of our competitions. Week in, week out they stepped up to the mark and delivered. To our Junior and Sub Junior co-ordinators, well done Brad and Sean. Our sub Junior numbers continue to look very healthy and a couple look like they will be promoted to the Juniors next year. Ian, Derek and Kev, thanks for your many hours spent checking the competition cards and updating our handicaps. Your work here was very appreciated. It would be remiss of me not to mention Jim Robertson. Jim works many hours behind the scenes setting up the timesheets and managing

the mid week competitions. He has assisted me many times during the year and for that am very grateful.

Thanks to the entire Men's committee. Well done Tom and his team, Michael Effting and his team, the ladies committee and the Board for their advice, assistance and smooth running of the club.

On behalf of the Men's committee, I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and safe New Year. Enjoy your holidays and I hope you get plenty of use of the course over the holiday period. See you next year.

All the best and good golfing

Michael Steele
on behalf of the Wantima Men's Committee



Ladies Golf — Lynne Marshall

Considering how the year started Wantima has been very fortunate to have come through so well. The Board have done a great job in keeping our heads above water and managed to do quite a considerable amount of work around the course in case we experience more of the rains that we had earlier in the year. Unfortunately funds are limited and many plans have been postponed until funds are available. Thanks to Drew and his staff for the work they have put in, to have the course in such excellent condition. Peter Mitchell organised many working bees during the year and his team of workers have done an amazing job, pruning trees and cleaning up the course after the floods. Thanks also to those who are looking after the gardens.

How fortunate are the members of Wantima to have such a great team in the Pro Shop, it is always a pleasure to walk in anytime of the day to the smiling faces of either Tom, Pam, Allan and on occasions Paul. They work such long hours and are always willing to offer advice, support and somehow get us off on time. Thanks also for the sponsorships they provided throughout the year.

I would like to congratulate all our

Championship and Perpetual Trophy winners there were some excellent games played. Also congratulations to Katrina Jones and Wendy O'Connell. Katrina recently won the Australian Women's Mid Amateur Championship (at the National Ocean Course in Melbourne) Katrina shot a course record 76 in the last round to win by one shot. Wendy O'Connell won the Queensland Women's Senior Amateur Championship at Horton Park earlier in the year.

Our Ladies Pennants did very well this year with our Silver division placing 4th and our Bronze ladies placing 2nd with only 1 point between us and the winner. Our weekend team were equal 4th with only a point between 3rd, 4th and 5th. We had a wonderful Pink Ribbon day in July and with the assistance of the men who volunteered or were coerced and were very persuasive in obtaining dollar coin donations - thank you, we raised \$3,136. To the committee and all other volunteers and sponsors thank you.

To all our sponsors this year thank you. Sponsorships are an integral part of any golf club and a special mention of Live Life Villages who sponsors two guest days for the Ladies and two for the

Vets, which are well supported by the Club and visitors. Without our sponsors it would be difficult to hold some of these days, thank you.

In my first year as President, I have been very fortunate to have had a great committee and appreciate all their work. Avril Kent is stepping down this year after 3 years as Secretary and prior to that many other roles on the Committee a very special thank you, she has been of immense help to all the committee. I would like to thank the Board, Michael Steele (Men's Captain), Michael Efftig and staff for their support throughout the year.

Most importantly I would like to thank the Ladies of Wantima for their support, without them each week we do not have a competition.

On behalf of the Ladies Committee, we wish you a healthy, happy and prosperous Christmas and New Year. Good golfing to you all and I look forward to seeing you on the course in 2012.

Lynne Marshall
Ladies
President.



Pro Shop — Tom Arnott

On behalf of the Pro Shop Team, I would like to sincerely thank you all for your valued support during 2011 and wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

Good Golfing in 2012
Tom

Juniors — Brad Hardingham

The juniors and I have had an enjoyable year. We started the year well with a Zone Pennants win and also several wins to our players in the Zone Futures events. This year we held our inaugural "Cameron Smith Junior Challenge", which is a new junior honour board event to recognise the achievements of our juniors and of course Cam Smith. Congratulations to Tim Hadwen (Gross) and Chris Barber (Nett) for winning this inaugural event. Thankyou kids for your exceptional behaviour throughout the year and for sticking with this great game of ours. Thanks also to the members and committee for their guidance and acceptance of our talented juniors. See you all next year.

Brad Hardingham

Sub Juniors — Sean Bloodworth

The Wantima Sub-Juniors "Subbies" enjoyed a great year of fun filled golf. There were many promotions through our 3 grades (A, B & C), which will in turn, feed into the Wantima Junior's. We ended the year with approximately 30 members, a mix of boys and girls, aged between 8 and 14. Our Club Championships were held over two consecutive Saturday's in October with great stroke making on display and some record scores posted.

A big Thank You to our sponsors, Warren Pavey and Tom Arnott, who provided us with new shirts, and competition prize balls respectively. The support of Club Member's, be it with fund raising raffles or golf equipment donations, is greatly appreciated also.

We look forward to seeing the kids out there again in 2012. Well done players, well done Parents.

Have a Safe & Happy Christmas,

Sean Bloodworth,

Wantima 2011 Sub-Junior Co-ordinator

