

## **Grounds Report**

What a year it has been with the virus, but we have managed to not only survive it but continue moving forward by employing new staff, loads of course maintenance and improvements, with many more to come.

We have had a good year on the course with good average rainfall to start next summer. All the dams are full and we will have 100% allocation from Coliban Water for the coming summer.

Improvements have been:

- The commencement of concrete paths
- Topdressing of fairways
- Extending the sprinkler system on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> fairways
- Drainage on the 4<sup>th</sup> fairway has been completed with the 11<sup>th</sup> commencing this month and plans for the 8<sup>th</sup> as well.

The couch encroachment on the greens has been documented and continually worked on by Fred. A meeting in February 2021 will determine whether current methods are successful.

Wood sales have continued and have raised approx. \$8000, which is a handy additional source of income. Thanks to Alan Champion for his tireless work and also Denis Cooper for co-ordinating the sale of firewood.

I would like to thank Fred for the wonderful job he does with managing all the volunteers, and a special thanks to all the volunteers. Everyday there are volunteers somewhere on the course.

Thanks to Jenni Radford for supplying morning tea every Tuesday.

Many thanks to the Di Bolton, Maree Cooper, Lyn Turnbull and Charlie Donaldson for keeping the upkeep of the gardens.

**Peter Savy,  
Honorary Greenkeeper.**