28th October 2020

Dear Members,

Well what can you say of the 2019/20 Financial year? Perhaps “A Year like no other” - Bushfires, Floods and of course the Coronavirus Pandemic which resulted in the forced closure of your club on the 23rd of March 2020. It has just been a year of devastation and uncertainty for everyone.

To those that have been affected, our thoughts and sincere well wishes are with you.

For the year ended 30 June 2020, the Club post a modest loss of $1,965. The Club’s greatest achievement for this Financial year was the Major Internal Transformation that we were able to achieve during the Club’s closure, which included but was not limited to:

* *The replacement of the Carpet*
* *The replacement of the Ceiling*
* *Installation of 3 new air conditioning units*
* *Painting*
* *Upgrade of the Club Bars*
* *Upgrade of the Club’s Audio-Visual System*
* *Upgrade of the Club’s Gaming and TAB facilities*
* *Installation of a 38.4Kw Solar System, funded through an on-bill agreement through AGL at a cost of $888 per month for 36 months*

The total project cost to date is approximately $400K financed by our bank and trade, a figure that could not have been achieved if it hadn’t been for the tireless efforts of the Board, staff, contractors and amazing volunteers.

It was just outstanding to see the passion and commitment that these individuals displayed, and there are not words to express our appreciation. This sincere appreciation also extends to the unbelievable volunteers that dedicate their time on a weekly basis on the Tanilba Bay Golf Course to assist with the ongoing development.

As for the 2020/21 Financial Year, there are further improvements for Tilligerry RSL that the Board and Management plan to implement which include:

* *The purchase of a partition wall to allow for room separation to accommodate events such as bingo, meetings and functions*
* *The installation of Timber screening*
* *Increased coverage of the Outdoor Area*
* *Introduction of a Covered smoking area adjacent to the Sports Bar Area*
* *New lounge style seating*

Included in the plans for the 2020/21 Financial Year is work on the Golf Course, including:

* *Levelling of Tee Boxes on the Tanilba Bay Golf Course, thanks to a Grant from the NSW Government*
* *Continued Seeding Program on our Greens, as we strive to have eighteen (18) greens with a consistent playing surface*
* *Submission of another Grant application which would enable us to replace the failing course irrigation.*

We are extremely mindful of the threat that the Coronavirus pandemic still poses, and for that reason our weekly events are being reintroduced in a staged manner as we adapt our business to the COVID 19 environment.

Members, thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you at your Club in the near future.

Anthony Watson

Secretary-Manager

Tilligerry RSL Sports Club