

COVID 19 Update – 7/4/2020

Dear Members,

It was great to see people out on the course again, and particularly pleasing to see that all members adhered to our Social Distancing policy. Remember it will only take one “incident” to remove this privilege for all of us, so please continue to abide by the guidelines in place.

In these challenging times, you will appreciate that in order to keep the course to playing standard, we are required to have our Greens staff (Bryan, Jamie and Brendan) and Tony our CEO, working on a part time basis. In addition, we have daily connection fees for electricity, computer software commitments, insurance etc.

The Prime Minister will attempt to get the JobKeeper legislation through this Wednesday, which we can then apply for, and hopefully obtain in early May.

In the interim we will need to keep paying wages and other fixed commitments with significantly reduced revenue and cashflow.

Fortunately, QGC is in a better position than most to deal with the issue, due to the positive operations of the club. However, in order to keep QGC in a strong position, and with consideration of what assistance we expect from the Government, the Board has decided to implement a **temporary \$5.00 course utilisation fee**. This will provide coverage for greens staff wages and other fixed commitments which we have not been able to suspend.

The \$5.00 COVID-19 LEVY will be effective from 8 April 2020.

In effect, the levy will increase competition fees from **\$13.00 to \$18.00**. This \$5.00 levy will also apply to members using the course for social play, between 7am and 4pm daily, until further notice.

It should also be noted that other golf clubs in the region, who are in the exact same position, have implemented a \$10.00 levy.

I do hope that everyone acknowledges that this action is required and understands the potential consequences if the levy is not applied.

Sand Buckets

On another note, in an effort to protect our playing surfaces, the policy regarding sand buckets has been reviewed. Fortunately, QGC recently purchased 200 new sand buckets.

These buckets are available in the pro-shop for members for your personal use only. Please do not share your sand bucket. Simply take your bucket home and bring it back for your next game.

Replacement or additional buckets will incur a \$5.00 fee.

Thank you again for your support during these difficult times and look forward to celebrating when they get back to normal.

**John Bull
QGC President
On Behalf of the Board of Directors**