



## **Welcome Back**

Welcome to our July newsletter after our first game of the year at Brookwater Golf Club on Monday 13th July. Who would have imagined after our closing day at Hope Island in December 2019, it would be seven months before we were all back together again ?!

A combination of two rained out events and then the restrictions that came with the COVID-19 crisis turned all of our plans upside down! Thank you to our sponsors who have been affected by the delayed start to our year. Guild Insurance, Pharmacy Alliance, Medi-Ice Pak, Pitcher Partners and Mercedes Benz Toowong, were all affected by cancelled games. Your committee is working towards gaining sponsors exposure by way of shared sponsorship of events for the remainder of the year.

Thank you to API and Carolyn Bourke and her team for sponsorship of the Ambrose Day at Brookwater Golf Club. API had two teams on the day and was represented by Sharyn Dawes, Robyn Kelly, Kelsey Patteron, Mark Carter, Tim Bradhurst, Phillip Ioannidis, Anthony Wilson and Matt Bradford. Thank you again to API for their continued support of Queensland Chemists Golf and we were particularly pleased that we had a

sell-out field of 120 players. The strong turn-out emphasised the strength of our club and the fact that everyone was itching to get out and have a hit after such a delayed start to our golfing calendar.



The answer to our success is simple really. We have improved communications, we have given our sponsors better value for money and we have strived to make the club a fun club to be a member of, an inclusive club as we welcome more ladies to our playing ranks and a friendly club that we all know is great for networking.

The introduction of name badges, while a simple thing in itself has resulted in greater mixing at our events and it makes it easy to strike up a conversation with someone whose face you know but whose name just won't come to you!



## Brookwater Golf Club Ambrose Day

With 120 players and blessed with wonderful weather and a course in outstanding condition the API sponsored day was a huge success.

A total of 14 ladies attended the day, an absolutely fantastic number and can only help us to promote further participation in the future and hopefully encourage the large number of female pharmacists and other professions to come along and enjoy future events.



Thanks to Peter Marshall and his company, Pharmacy Solutions Australia for the continued support in providing the fantastic Bridgestone golf balls for prizes.



It was great to see some old faces back in the field at Brookwater and we welcomed David Craig Jnr back to the fold. David's father founded David Craig the company in 1942 and David Craig became an institution in Queensland Pharmacy circles for decades.

It was also great to see Scott Sullivan and Phillip Ioaniddes and we hope to see them along at our games in the future. Also great to welcome back "Horgo", Anthony Horgan after a long absence and his gun team of Pat Horgan, Cameron



Some of our ladies that attended ;Domenica DePasquale,  
Lou Condon, Jenny Kleimeyer, Nadine Lyndon



Skinner and James Alexander who gave a very good account of themselves on the day. QCGC is always encouraging younger players to attend our events which all help to grow our club and help it to thrive into the future.

Thanks also to the boys south of the border who managed to dodge the border patrol! We welcomed Blackie, John Black and the boys from Casino, Guy Scarlett, Peter Marendy and Jack Scarlett and Con Varela, Lucas Higgins, David Noonan and Mark McConnell from Murwillumbah. The boys drive a long way to our games each month and on behalf of all QLD Chemist Golfers we thank you for travelling so far to our games.

## Membership Now Due

Peter White Treasurer

Just a reminder to those who haven't paid their membership fees for 2020 they are now overdue. Goto [www.qcgc.com.au](http://www.qcgc.com.au) and complete the online membership form and you can pay online.

Membership is only \$50 and don't forget if you would like an official AGU handicap you can now pay an extra \$100 p.a. and the club will maintain it for you. It means you can play at any club in Australia with

an official handicap for only \$100 a year which is sensational value!

## Captain's Report

Matthew Doherty

A full field of Chemist Golfers for the API sponsored Ambrose golf day at Brookwater is a mighty way to restart the golfing calendar for QCGC after COVID-19 restrictions and inclement weather cancelled the first half of our scheduled games for 2020. The Ambrose format is always popular and well attended but this would be the largest field assembled for many years. I would like to thank Robyn Kelly and the API team for their sponsorship of the event this year. API has been strong supporters of Chemist Golf for many years and it was great to have two API teams attending again this year.

The winners of the day with a net 52 were the team of Con Varela, Lucas Higgins, David Noonan and Mark McConnell.

Second place went to Matthew Newman, Andrew Halec and Nick Doan with a net 53.



Jim Busuttin, Paul Giudice, Robert Giudice and Ian Frederick claimed third on a count back with a net 54.

These scores are all very low and impressive but when looking at the scores overall, there were only 7 shots or so separating the top 20 teams and for a tough course like Brookwater and after an extended lay off from golf for many, I think it was a great achievement. If you are going to win the Ambrose Day at Brookwater you certainly need to bring along your A game!!

We have our next game at Bribie Island on Monday 17th August. This will be a 4BBB and a Single Stableford event. For those golfers who attended Bribie last year, I know you will be back for another wonderful day of golf, to enjoy the sensational golf course and great hospitality that's on offer.

Any Chemist golfers who have not played Bribie Island I would urge you to register now and come along and enjoy a fantastic day.

If you are planning on playing, please book early as usual and at the time of writing early bookings are looking strong.

There are only 23 motorised carts at Bribie so please only reserve a cart if you

have mobility issues. The course is a flat layout and does not present a physical challenge to most and we need to ensure those who genuinely need carts have access to them. As a consequence of limited motorised carts, please ensure you bring your pull buggy on the day. If you have a spare pull buggy, please bring it along as this may help to supply some of our walkers as Bribie also only have limited numbers of pull buggies.

Any new members to Chemists Golf or returning members who do not have an official AGU handicap can now take advantage of the QCGC ability to create an AGU account and maintain your handicap. It is a very low cost and can be incorporated into your membership each year. Contact myself, or our Treasurer, Peter White if you would like any further information, or go to the QCGC website and fill out a membership form online.

I hope to see you all at Bribie Island and in the meantime keep up the good golf and stay safe.





## President's Report

*Robert Bosworth*

What a pleasure it has been to see such a wonderful turnout to welcome all of us back at the fantastic Brookwater Golf Club. After a long absence from the golf course for all of our members and guests of QCGC, it was great to be outside again hitting that little white ball around the course.

2020 will certainly go down in history as one of the most unusual and bizarre set of circumstances to have hit our country in decades and has certainly thrown some challenges out there to all of us.

Queensland has been somewhat lucky to be in a position where we can continue to enjoy each other's company in a social gathering such as this and seeing all those smiling faces on the day certainly shows that we are a resilient bunch of people.

Thanks again to our major sponsors, API, who also managed to field two groups of golfers on the day which shows such great commitment to our club. 😊

I look forward to catching up with you all again at our next event in Bribie Island



*Edited by Secretary, John Neilson and President Rob Bosworth*

## Next Game-Bribie Island Golf Club Monday 17th August 2020

Bookings are open now for our next game at Bribie Island. Go to [www.qcgc.com.au](http://www.qcgc.com.au) to register. Click on EVENTS, then click on BRIBIE ISLAND. Wait until the Registration page comes up then click on REGISTER to take you to the booking sheet. Select your name from dropdown menu. If you have a new player in your team please complete the player info sheet. If you enter TBA you MUST advise who this player is NO LATER than 7 days prior to the event. Please ensure all players in your team PAY ONLINE so we do not have administrative issues on the day.