



Superintendent Report

July 2025



Drainage Works

Like most winters we have continued to repair, replace and flush existing drain lines around the course.

We have also added a new large drain line along the right side of the 12th fairway. This new drain line has seemed to reduce the wet area to the right of the fairway. However, as expected I do think we will need to do further drainage work to totally resolve the issues. The ground conditions at Tura Beach make drainage works challenging. The soil is very inconsistent with sand, rock and clay.

We have started to expose the existing drainage at the start of the 10th fairway. The existing drainage is old and the pipe size used was not adequate for the amount of water that enters this area. Another complication is the depth that the existing drainage was installed. In some areas the pipe is 1.5m below the surface. The ideal solution would be to start again and put in a new drainage system in the area. Unfortunately, this will be a costly exercise, but one that is on the list to do. In the interim we will aim to get the existing drain lines repaired and flowing as best we can

Greens Treatment

Our greens received their annual treatment with Air2G2 followed by a deep solid tine aeration. This process allows the roots to move deeper into the profile and breaks up the hard layers under our greens. This will also help with playability and turf health in these current wet conditions. Air2G2 is a turf management technology that utilizes pressurized air to relieve soil compaction and enhance root growth in sports fields and golf courses. It works by injecting air laterally into the soil, fracturing compacted layers and improving water and air movement without disrupting the turf surface



Education & Achievements

My self and Scott Mclean attended The Clubs & Community awards night in Sydney. Tura Beach Country Club had been nominated as a finalist for an education award due to our success with apprentices over the past years. This is a massive achievement and one that The Club Is very proud of. Even with our limited resources we have been able to invest in our apprentices and ensure they get the most out of their training program within The Club.

Australian Sports Turf Management Conference

As part of Zac's Achievements winning the ACT Apprentice of the year he was granted a fully funded educational week to the Turf Conference. He also had to do a presentation and interview in front of the selected panel to compete for the National Apprentice of the Year Award. Zac's efforts left him as a very strong competitor for the National Award. Zac was the runner-up for the Award, an outstanding result and one that will benefit his career moving forward.



Tree Works & Assessment

A Visual Tree Risk Assessment was conducted on 13th and 14th of May 2025 at Tura Beach Country Club, to provide an updated re inspection of all trees within the property and provide management with tree risk assessment data and reporting, with recommendations consistent with the Australian Risk Management Standard AS/NZS ISO 31000:2018.

This process includes communication and consultation of risk assessment and delivers risk identification, risk analysis and evaluation tools as well as fulfilling recording, reporting, monitoring, and review components.

Our goal is to create a safe environment for our golfers with minimum disturbance to the sensitive biodiversity areas within Tura Beach. This assessment and information give us the best plan for our tree management program.

Mckill Tree Services have spent one day removing unsafe trees and will return later this month to do another day. We will then have them spend a day stump grinding. The team have also been busy clearing a number of black wattle and pittosporum saplings from around the property.

Brad Foster – Superintendent