

# Nudgee Golf Club extends course redevelopment

All 36 holes on the popular Nudgee course located north of Brisbane will be redeveloped after the club was able to stabilise its financial position over the past few years and now has sufficient funds available for a total overhaul.

The news of the extended redevelopment (previously only including 28 holes) was delivered in a notice to members in recent weeks. The notice also stated that the course will be one of the first, if not the first golf course in Brisbane, with a double green.

To this end, Nudgee Golf Club has engaged Course Architect, James Wilcher from Golf By Design, to develop concept designs for consideration by the board ahead of moving to detailed designs and costings. These costs will be tested against the current contract before making a final assessment of the club's cash position and awarding of the extended contract.

This final stage when approved will then be undertaken through the remainder of 2021 with a targeted completion date of the first quarter of 2022.

## The Gateway Motorway upgrade

The club lodged an application to redesign the golf course in October 2017 after the club lost four of its 36 holes when the federal government resumed 8.84 hectares for the Gateway Motorway upgrade a few years earlier.

During the two year redevelopment and construction works, the club has been able to operate with 27 golf holes in play and the clubhouse, function rooms, driving range and facilities still open as usual.

Wilcher has been overseeing the project along with a club appointed team of specialists and professionals.



Nudgee GM, Darren Richards, with touring PGA Life Member Paul King (right), PGA Immortal Charlie Earp and PGA State Manager, Broc Greenhalgh (left).

## Strong Membership Growth

General manager and GMAQ member, Darren Richards, said that the club has demonstrated strong membership numbers of late, which have increased by just under 400 during the past 12 months. The total membership across all categories now stands at 1,452.

During the past four months, members' competition rounds totalled 25,294 compared to 15,550 for the same four-month period in 2019/20. This is a remarkable increase, no doubt fuelled jointly by the surge in membership along with the opportunity to enjoy playing different course configurations as additional holes come into play.

As a result of the increased membership number, the club has now decided to cease the acceptance of any new 7 day male members from March for the foreseeable future.

Any persons seeking this membership category after 1st March will be placed on a waiting list and the board will review the situation on a monthly basis.

# SHANX @ Regency Park has broken ground

GreenSpace Management is proud to announce that after a long journey, in partnership with the City of Port Adelaide Enfield, SHANX @ Regency Park has broken ground at Regency Park Community Golf Course.

SHANX Mini Golf has been created by GreenSpace Management to provide Regency Park Community Golf Course and the broader community with a genuine family based amenity.

## WHAT IS SHANX?

SHANX Mini Golf was born from creating a need within the facilities that GreenSpace manages and providing these facilities with a sustainable revenue stream whilst diversifying their demographic catchment.

The SHANX concept is unique to the Australian market whereby their mini golf courses are not 'amusement based' with clown heads, windmills and rocks in the middle of putting surfaces, but rather golf as we know it, miniaturised. A concept that caters for the scratch golfer to the 'never played before' and everyone in between. Their focus is on golf and there is no mini golf product like SHANX in the Southern Hemisphere.

Claire Boan, Mayor of the City of Port Adelaide Enfield said, "The City is thrilled to be working alongside Greenspace Management to bring something new and exciting to Regency Park Community Golf Course, that both the golfing community and the local community will love."

Greenspace managing director, Peter Vlahandreas said, "We couldn't be prouder of our partnership with the local council and the incredible benefits that SHANX will bring to the community of the City of Port Adelaide Enfield."

In addition to the new mini golf facility, GreenSpace are further investing into the facility by way of a new practice putting green to enhance the facilities for golfers. SHANX will be an incredible family based amenity to the already outstanding Regency Park Community Golf Course, just 10 minutes from the Adelaide CBD.

SHANX @ Regency Park will cater for children's parties, corporate events and product launches when it opens in July 2021.