The General Committee and I would like to thank all sponsors, members and the organising committee for a wonderful show in surpassing our May Day target by raising over \$1.27 million. We continue in our efforts to be a "Club with a Heart", post 45 years of being so - making this our on-going, conspicuous meaningful bond between members, sponsors and the community.

We thank attendees at 27th April's Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) and are heartened by the strong endorsement of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Labour Movement for Bukit Location post-2021 – thereby also ensuring time for securing our Club's premier stature amidst many anticipated national golfing scene changes. The Bukit Course buggy path will be constructed very soon, subsequent to apt engineering input.

Facility:

We have derived a best possible option for a Bukit Town Club (BTC) on our freehold land, with incorporation of tennis, squash, indoor golf range and outdoor putting green. We are targeting (i) a member's dialogue and feedback session for August, after which, some fine-tuning before (ii) a November EGM for approval. A model and 3-D walk-through will be displayed soon.

Golfing:

We have also been planning for adequate and appropriate golfing facility post-2021 within land-lease extension expectations.

Alongside above, we are studying and will duly address the impact of the (i) LTA Cross Island Line bore-hole studies, commencing later part of this year and to complete in 2018, (ii) existing PUB underground pipes affecting a previously commissioned design for Island Course which had not taken this into consideration, (iii) PUB's boundary observations for any works to be done and (iv) just completed study by an infrastructure and environmental consulting firm, an appointed partner of NParks, earlier engaged by us. Further, options and sequencing detracting from that previously envisaged, have surfaced.

We hope to at least present options to members by the targeted November EGM.



As an additional step, we have authorised Management, with professional input, to work out overall capital expenditure and sustainability projections going forward so that members can make an informed decision.

On easier notes:

I am glad to report the good response to the opening of Island Bar, located at the A-frame building. This new hangout allows our members a dedicated sanctuary to chill and unwind. Check out its magnificent ambience!

Subsequent to an underground water leak at Bukit 19th Hole servery, management has introduced a new concept to our Bukit poolside eatery – Noodle House at BSP – to ensure members do not miss the popular seasoned roast meats, noodles and Aunty Lily's offerings. More enhancement work at Bukit leasehold clubhouse will be carried out in the coming months as we prepare for building BTC.

Congratulations to our Chefs Loh Kok Kheong and Liew Wei Seng for winning podium position at the recent Biennial Food Hotel Asia (FHA) Culinary Challenge - touted by the international community as one of the most prestigious of culinary competitions in Asia. Members will get a chance to sample their winning dishes at the July F&B promotions.

I would also like to commend Management for its positive HR practices, recently affirmed by the receipt of the Plaque of Commendation Award from the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC).

I look forward to seeing you in the Club.

With best personal regards,

Alex Ooi President