

## **Rotary Club of North Balwyn Annual Charity Golf Day.**

What a difference a Day Makes!

The 2021 Club Charity Golf Day was held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb and concluded only hours before the State was put into an COVID Pandemic 5 day Hard Lockdown.

Interstate visitors were seen dashing to their cars to make it home before midnight.

Because of the perceived impact COVID-19 may be having on our Charity Golf Day traditional supporter network we anticipated a possible reduction in enthusiasm to participate in this year's event.

However a strong field of 110 players attended Kew Golf Club to enjoy a beautifully prepared course and teams enjoyed an Ambrose event beginning with a shotgun start at 8am.

A BBQ luncheon were served after golf and we thank the Kew Golf Club for their excellent service and continued support of this important charity fund raising day. Some lucky patrons with winning raffle tickets received bottles of wine and dinner vouchers kindly donated by our Sponsors and Club Members.

Our Major Sponsor, Ian Mollison of Helloworld Balwyn North, gave an inspiring speech predicting a strong future for the travel industry and urged everyone to support their local traders and be reminded of the outstanding travel opportunities that exist within Australia and not to let the inability to travel overseas during COVID end your travel plans.

The winners were presented with generous prizes donated by our sponsors.

First placed team was Romanis Cant, 2nd Bendigo Bank led by Michael Barden , 3<sup>rd</sup> The Village Café led by Samir Freijah.

Nearest the pin, longest and straightest drives were also awarded to add to the challenge and enjoyment of the day.

We thank all of our sponsors on the day and the support of our own Club Members in bringing this event to fruition in 2021 under difficult circumstances and in particular Gregor Matthews and Greg Cribbes who were the key organisers of the day.

We were also rewarded with the traditional Singing Compare in Greg Ross to open the lunch with verse exemplifying the mood of the day of being blessed to be out playing golf, in great company, raising funds for community benefit.

Thank you all, players, Sponsors, Kew Golf Club and Rotary Members for making it such an enjoyable day.