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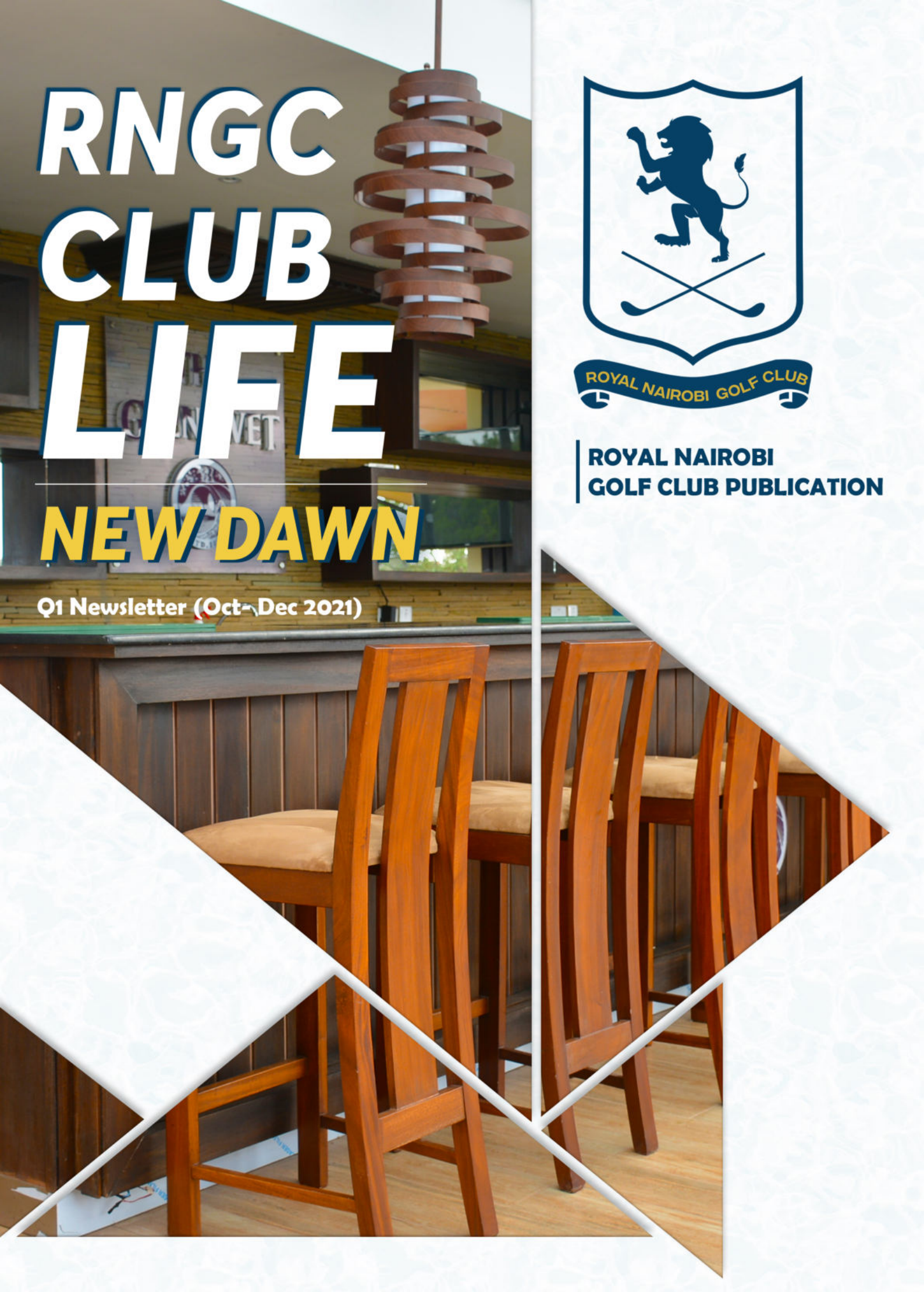


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Club Hours of Operation

Club house Reception:

7am – 9pm

Club house Terrace:

Mon – Sun (6.30am – 10pm)

Club house Main bar:

Mon – Sun (10am-11pm)

Upper deck:

Mon Closed.

Tue, Wed & Fri (3pm -11pm)

Thur & Sat (12pm – 12am)

Sun (12pm – 10pm)

Fine Dining:

Mon & Sun Closed.

Tue – Fri (6pm – 9pm)

Dinner service only

Halfway Banda:

Mon Closed. Tue – Sun (7am – 4pm)

Gym Reception:

6am – 9pm

Gym:

Mon – Fri (06am-10pm)

Sat (07am-07pm)

Holidays (08am - 04pm)

Royal Garden:

Mon – Sun (10am – 10pm)

Pool:

Mon – Sun (9am – 6pm)

Special Notes

1. Breakfast buffet service
Served at the Terrace Mon – Sun
2. Kitchen Meal Times
Breakfast 7am – 10.30am
11am – 10pm Ala cart menu operational

Chairman's Statement



2021 has been a very interesting year for all of us. Despite the uncertainties of the Covid 19 pandemic, we as golfers have prevailed well. The zeal of a golfer exists in only one thing. "I know the next shot will be better than my previous one". This year, I would like to make special recognition because for the first time since 1906, we had to lock the gates of RNGC, I apologize for this but the pandemic that devastated the world, created a global crisis that we are still suffering from which means that drastic actions had to be taken. Thank you everyone for your understanding.

But let us look at the positive, it was in this year that one of our members came up and made sure that each one of us was vaccinated, not once but twice. A big thank you to Doctor Evanson Kamuri for facilitating this not so easy task to all our members and their families.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my sponsors throughout the year; Chairman Joshua Chekwony from Jamii Telcom, Eng Collins Juma of Nuclear Power and Energy, My very good friend Eden Odhiambo from Tourism

Fund, The East African Breweries, Past Chairman, Eng David Gaitho of Amazon Consultants, Eng Ken Kaunda of Kenya Pipeline, Director Charles Kariuki of AAR Healthcare, My good friend Tobias See of Riley Falcon and most importantly I would like to thank all the members of Royal Nairobi Golf Club for the overwhelming support each of you has shown me throughout my tenure. May God bless you all abundantly.

Ladies and gentlemen, the club we enjoy has been in existence for the last 115 years, this has largely been due to the leadership of all the past Chairmen of this club. I would like to recognize their dedication and the service they have provided to our club. Thank you gentlemen, that is the spirit of Royal Nairobi Golf Club.

The lessons and the wisdom of members of the board this year has prevailed upon me during my time serving as Chairman of this great club. Financial security has been the motto and the challenge of the current board. For this I would like to thank my board members who have worked tirelessly to ensure we remain strong and helpful, this has not been an easy task and I appreciate each and everyone of you.

I would like to thank my family for their love, support and understanding throughout the year. It's not possible to mention everyone by name for their immense support, the list will be endless. The spirit of Royal Nairobi Golf Club burns deep in each one of us. Due to this very fact, I dedicated this year's Chairman's prize to being a members only event which was very well attended in large numbers.

Again thank you all for a great year, May God Bless you all, and May God Bless the Royal Nairobi Golf Club.

Rupinder Sunny Babra
Chairman Royal Nairobi Golf Club



Message from the Captain

Dear members,

As we come to the end of my tenure, i would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of you for allowing me to serve as your captain this year.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, I am happy to report that we have had a busy year in as far as competitions are concerned. The club has been very vibrant with a consistently high turn out for all golf competitions which translates into high club patronage.

In the last two months, we have had several high profile tournaments such as Crown Paints golf day, KPA golf day, Nation Media Group Golf Series Finals, Liberty Life Golf Day just but to name a few. Events of this magnitude could not have been a success without the support from our sponsors. I extend my utmost appreciation to all our sponsors who came forward to sponsor our Thursday Clubnites, Friday corporate golf days and Saturday events.

We also had a very successful Junior Golf Competition on the 17th of October 2021 that was very generously sponsored by, MINET (Erick Rugo), AAR (Charles Kariuki) and KNH (Dr.Evans Kamuri).

We are very grateful to them for supporting the ever vibrant junior section at the club. Thank you once again to Nancy Ikinu and her team for organizing such a fun and successful event. I'm hoping for good outings from the last two games at home, to help us retain our title.

Thank you to all the members who have selflessly and diligently turned out to play all the league matches.

The handicapping section of the office has seen a large number of members obtain their handicaps this year, with consistent spells of handicap allocation, making the rigorous process of obtaining a handicap very fair and timely. Congratulations to all who have obtained their handicap this year, we wish you good golfing going forward. Thank you to Co-Chair, Geoffrey Rono, Racheal Chebukati and their team for a job well done.

This year, the country experienced a very long and unusually cold winter period, which put a big strain on the greens but we are happy to report that with the return of the sunshine, our greens and fairways are starting to revive very well and the course is currently playing very well.

I thank all members who attended the captains prize on the 26th and 27th November 2021

Thank you once again for your patronage and support throughout the year. May God bless you all, and may God bless Royal Nairobi Golf Club.

Sylvester Odhiambo
Captain Royal Nairobi Golf Club



Message from the Lady Captain

Allow me to begin by thanking our almighty God for the wonderful year we have had. I am very pleased to see the Ladies Section growing rapidly since the lock-down. We have had 74 ladies join the ladies section out of the 204 members. Hopefully, they are our future Lady Captains and Committee Members.

My initial thanks goes to my family and close friends who have been a great support. 2021 has been an exciting year for the ladies' section, with very many competitive events of this club. I sincerely thank my very able and committed committee for their support and teamwork in all our activities throughout the year. I started my captaincy with 4 new committee members. I would like to thank them for serving and raising the bar at Royal Nairobi Golf Club

When you elected me as LC, I committed to increase the number of lady golfers and junior girl golfers. I am happy to report that we have a total of 12 new lady and 7 new junior golfers, who have received Handicaps this year. I have greatly enjoyed my year and I would like to thank all the lady golfers who have made time to participate in our events. This is very encouraging and it has been such a pleasure to meet and interact with majority of the over 500 members of the ladies section.

We have held a total of 8 Medal and 9 stableford events that have been well sponsored and attended, providing an opportunity for ladies to network and enjoy a round of golf. I would like to appreciate all my sponsors throughout the year.

DATE	EVENT	SPONSORS
19 th Dec 2020	Royal Ladies Fun Golf & Christmas Lunch	Cedars, Blue Gold, Ajami & Hellen Sabwa
13 th Jan 2021	Medal No.1	Mutubwa Advocates
23 rd Jan 2021	Stableford No.1	Lucy Kisia, Carol Okara & KNH
13 th Feb 2021	Ladies Invitation Stableford No. 2	JTL, Britam, ABSA, Safaricom, UAP, Crown, Kengen, Sanlam
24 th February 2021	Medal No.2	Certeris Pharma (Prizes)
8 th Mar 2021	International Womens Day Dinner	RNGC
13 th Mar 2021	Jubilee Cup Stableford No.3	IEBC
26 th Mar 2021	Medal No 3	Justice Aboutha, Extra Dimentions, Melvins Tea
9 th Jun 2021	Stableford No.4	Kathleen Kihanya
3 rd Jul 2021	Ladies Open	EABL and KETEPa
21 st Jul 2021	Annual Strokeplay Championship	Charlie & Charles Angels
14 th & 15 th Aug 2021	Annual Ladies Matchplay Championship	Nimo & Beafeater
21 st Aug 2021	Kennedy Cup	Chiromo Hospital
11 th Sep 2021	September Pendant	Christine Mathenge, Dr. Kamuri & Piri
22 nd Sep 2021	Stableford No 10	Davis Court
13 th Oct 2021	End of Year Medal	RNGC Lawyers
13 th Nov	Lady Captain's Prize	ABSA, EABL, NUPEA, KCB, Stanbic, Kengen, Crown, Safaricom, TWO Africa, Mutubwa Advocates

This year we also enjoyed inter-club competitions. RNGC played around 18 matches this year both home and away and managed to finish among the top 3. FRANCOMBE played around 10 matches. In addition, we fielded an Eileen Belcher team where team A came first at Muthaiga Ladies Open. This has made RNGC visible all over Kenya.

One of my greatest highlights this year was the Ladies Clinic that was held over 8 weeks, that has over 72 ladies participating and a result of the clinic was the standards of ladies golf improving and ladies winning most of the club competitions.

I appreciate the role KLGU has played in supporting the running of our golf events. We have been privileged to have the KLGU Chairman as a member of this club. I look forward to having more of our past lady captains representing our club in KLGU.

Lastly I would like to thank the board of RNGC, The Management and all members of RNGC for your continued support. I wish the ladies section all the best and promise to support them through the year. Thank you and may God bless you all; our ladies section, our great club RNGC and our great country Kenya.

Dr. Michelle Muhanda
Lady Captain Royal Nairobi Golf Club

Prizes Highlights

CAPTAINS PRIZE



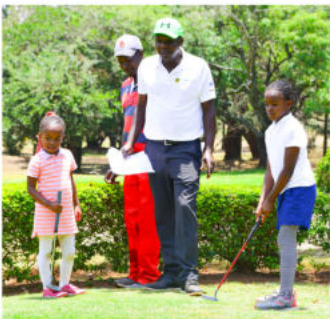
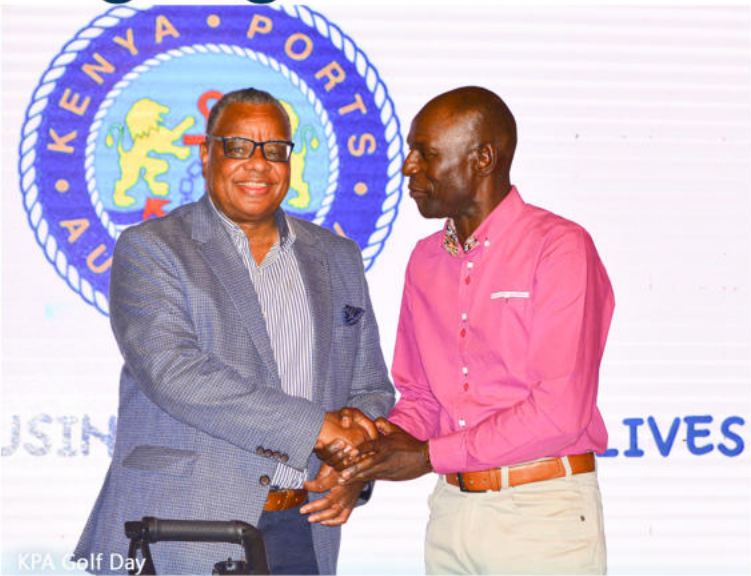
CHAIRMANS PRIZE



LADY CAPTAINS PRIZE



Golf Event Highlights





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Dear fellow members,

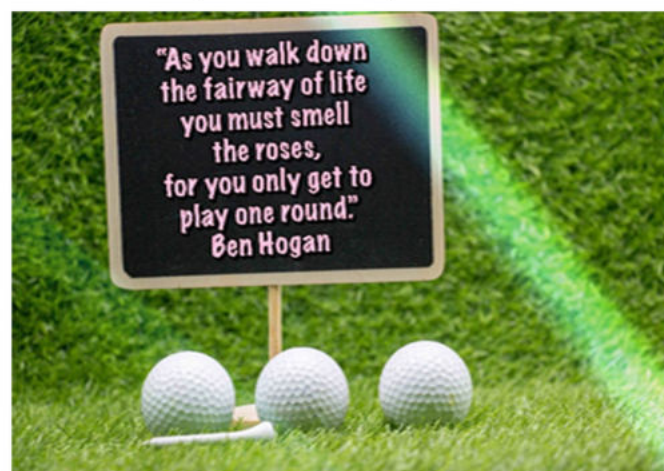
It is a great pleasure to welcome you to this quarter's newsletter. Our financial year ended on 30th September 2021 and I must say it has been a wonderful year. As we start a new financial year, I'm happy to report that the membership operations this quarter have continued very well. We had a total of 208 vetted members from 1st Oct 2020 to 30th Sept 2021 (29 were juniors). Subsequently we vetted 12 members in Nov 2021 (2 were juniors who converted). We also had a total of 228 balloted Members from 1st Oct 2020 to 30th Sept 2021 and subsequently balloted 20 people in Nov 2021.

During the last quarter, the membership office has worked hard to upgrade member data information systems to being more seamless and timely. We have now integrated the club's PDQ with Pesapal to enable members make direct payments from their accounts or top up directly to the club's account. This has increased member convenience since you can now log in remotely to pay subscriptions and top up your member card. Reduction of human intervention has made the payment process more secure and faster. We also implemented the guest code that will help ease entry for your guests to the club. Ensure you book your guests in advance so that they can receive a code ahead of coming to the club.

Under the leadership of the Chairman, the board hosted a successful "kamukunji" and I would like to appreciate all the members who made time to attend and participate the meeting where we reviewed our strategic plan 2019 – 2024 and the plans going forward. In collaboration with NTSA, the club hosted a smart driving license registration on Friday 12th and Saturday 13th November 2021 from 8am - 12pm.

Finally, we would like to invite you to our Annual General Meeting scheduled for 8th December 2021 at the RNGC clubhouse from 5pm.

Thank you again for a great year and may God Bless You. May God Bless Royal Nairobi Golf Club.



Christine Sabwa
Honorary Secretary



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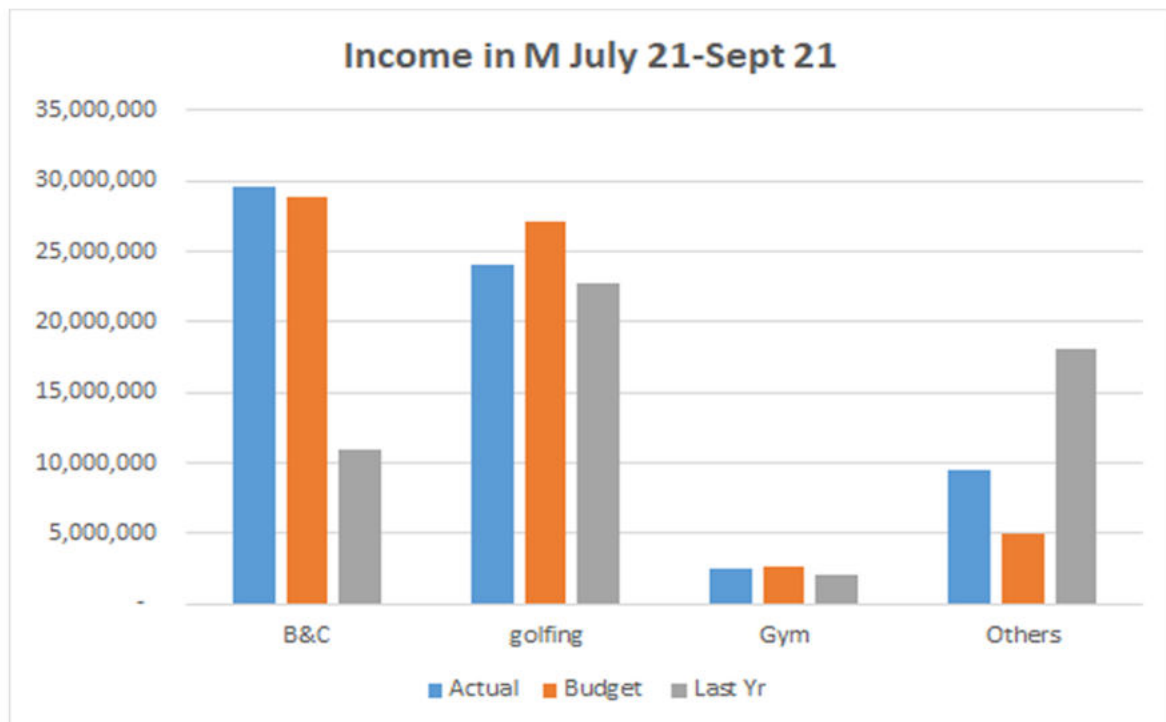
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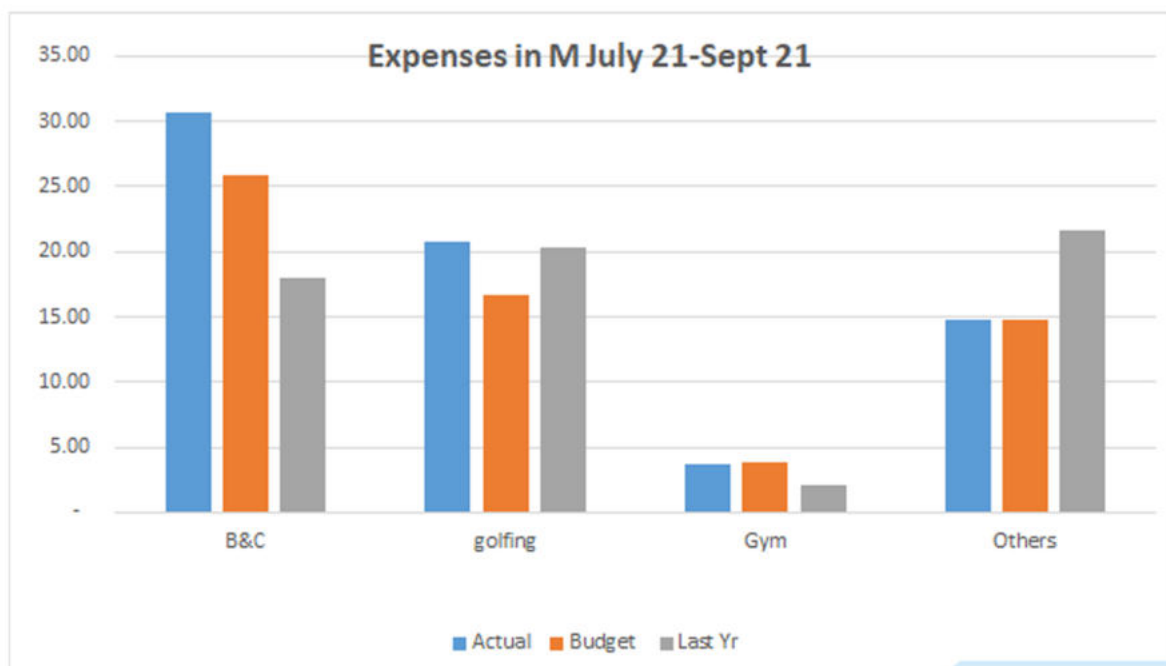


Mr. Oliver Nyawanga
FINANCE MANAGER

INCOME



EXPENSES





Dear esteemed members,

I'd like to firstly thank you for all the patronage this year, despite the Covid-19 pandemic, the membership has been very supportive in terms of attending club events in large numbers. As the convener responsible for food and beverage, facilities, security, gym and other sports, below are this past quarter's highlights and activities we are looking forward to undertaking.

We appreciate all the feedback and compliance to the protocols laid out. Do continue supporting the same as we continue to serve you.

F&B and Housekeeping achievements

- The new kids menu is in effect and has improved revenue generation from the pool area during weekends and the clubhouse.
- Purchase of the gym and changing room towels which has greatly improved hygiene and member service at the club.
- Purchase of new staff uniforms across all departments.
- In partnership with EABL, the club is looking to renovate and modify the upper-deck and the Royal Garden which will in turn improve the ambiance, member experience and eventually club patronage.
- The F&B team are working round the clock towards the launch of a new beverage and cocktail menu, the date will be communicated to you soon.

Facilities Achievements

- Purchase of wash hand stations and kitchen equipment.
- Upper - deck and garden kitchenette (contract phase complete)
- Collapsed wall at No.14/15 green construction complete
- Photo/trophies cabinet face lift around the clubhouse lobby/lounge and terrace.
- Driveway landscaping
- Swimming pool renovations/modification (tendering phase complete)

Gym & Other Sport achievements

- 5,118 Members patronised the Gym & Other Sport
- Had a 5 days studio aerobics and dances classes ie 2 classes a day (Morning and evening)
- Introduction of Zumba Dance every Thursday from 6pm - 7pm
- Marketing strategies that have increased the revenues of the Gym complex facilities especially the pool area and the Gym garden
- 7 Gym Non-Members joined the Gym on the following packages (2 Annual Membership, 3 Half Annual Membership, 2 Monthly Membership)

Security

- Installation of 5 CCTV cameras, 2 at the upperdeck and 3 at the gym complex which has helped deter incidents.
- Active manning and patrol of the collapsed boundary wall along number 15, 7 and 5
- Security training for supervisors on risk management, leadership, first aid and customer service.
- Completed 70% implementation of the Health and Safety audit training.
- Completed Osha training.
- Security check for staff and service providers has reduced theft cases from the club.
- System audit report identifying improvement areas





Evelyn Kuria
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER

Staffing - Within the period the Human Capital department has now began to engage staff on longer periods following the lifting of the curfew. Since the declaration of Covid-19 pandemic in Kenya in the month of March 2020, the club grounded hiring due to the reduced business operating hours. All positions engaged have been through competitive recruitment processes. This includes positions include Barmen, stewards, glass-hands, Barister, Waiters, cooks who joined in October 2021, Machine operators, Course storekeepers, Tractor driver, manicure technician and general duty worker.

Promotions - We have promoted three staff in various positions within the Club in of positions, a barman, course storekeeper and golf administrator.

Training - Staff in Front office and Finance were taken through a PDQ training by Pesapal Ltd on the integration of the Jonas system to the PDQ machines. This will create efficiency within finance payment system of automatically uploading money on the member card.

HR system - We are in the process of upgrading our staff time and attendance management system. This will enhance time and attendance for all staff and will enable Management keep track and records of leaves, absenteeism and over time claimed.



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HAPPY
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