



Shortland Waters Golf Club – SAVING OUR COMMUNITY’S WATER

Shortland Waters Golf Club Ltd with assistance from the Australian Government’s Community Water Grants Scheme today launched Stage 1 of an ambitious Irrigation and Drainage Project. The first stage now completed involves water harvesting and irrigation from a central holding dam, and has in the last twelve months saved over 35million litres of potable water.

Officially commissioning the project, Federal Member for Newcastle Sharon Grierson congratulated the club on its efforts and pointed to the community benefits of the enormous savings of potable water. The benefits to the local community will be ongoing and Mrs Grierson noted the strong community ties the golf club had with local stakeholders including the Hunter Wetlands , Shortland/Sandgate Community Forum, Newcastle University .

Community Water Grants encourage better water use by practical on the ground projects which produce outcomes such as ours, commented club President Ken Hawkins. The saving of over 38million litres of water per annum is a fantastic result for all concerned.

Club Superintendent Craig Molloy told the gathering that the clubs long term plan is to improve pumping facilities and lock into the recycled water that runs through the clubs land and presently discharges into the Hunter River. Increasing ability to harvest rainwater some earthworks and dam building are on the clubs agenda subject to funding availability said Mr Molloy.

For any information about Community Water Grants visit www.communitywatergrants.gov.au or phone 1800 780 730

Attached Photo shows from Left to Right Denise Parkin (Community Water Grants) Ken Hawkins (President SWGC) Hon Sharon Grierson (Federal Member for Newcastle), Tamara Vitler (Community Water Grants)