



De-amalgamation – An important step forward

De-amalgamation of Country Club Vincentia (CCV) just took an important step forward.

At the initiative of the SGBCC President, Bob Proudfoot, an informal meeting was held on the 24th of November 2025 between the Directors of SGBCC and the Jervis Bay Community and Sports Club (JBCSC), the new community-based company which has submitted an offer to acquire CCV.

Getting together informally encouraged a wide-ranging and positive conversation about how best to deliver a successful de-amalgamation, an outcome overwhelmingly supported in the recent member survey.

Respecting the past – Working towards a different future

Our two Boards are focussed, of course, on the future. But it is important also to recognise the journey travelled since a club opened in Vincentia in the 1960s.

It was only a decade ago, in response to unsustainable financial circumstances at Vincentia, that SGBCC amalgamated with Vincentia, with the strong support of members.

For the last eight years SGBCC worked tirelessly to turn around performance at Vincentia. The course remains in very good condition. Substantial investment in repairs and improvements, however, proved not enough to stem losses.

Vincentia could not continue as an ongoing financial drain, and SGBCC exercised its rights to take measures to protect the parent club.

In 2024 SGBCC decided, in principle, to explore transferring CCV to another entity.

That history also shapes how JBCSC is approaching re-opening. JBCSC will draw on the experience of SGBCC and Vincentia Golf Club as it rebuilds.

As a community club, JBCSC will still have golf at its heart, but will incorporate other community and sporting activities, and importantly, training for vulnerable youth.

Looking ahead – Working carefully and collaboratively on next steps

Having considered JBCSC's community-based proposal, SGBCC looks forward to working with the JBCSC Board to secure the necessary approvals for it to become a new Registered Club at Vincentia.

Members will be asked in the New Year to vote to endorse de-amalgamation to JBCSC.

We anticipate that all the approvals will be in place to allow a re-opening on 1 July 2026.

It's still a long but exciting road ahead.

The joint meeting of Directors on the 24th of November 2025 was an important milestone on that journey.

Bob Proudfoot President SGBCC

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