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Strong financial performance continues

Mid-year Update

Free Reserve

2020 forecast to increase to

\$312m

Standard & Poor's Arated security

Capital significantly in excess of **S&P AAA rating levels**

Combined ratio 2020 forecast **111%**

Investment Return of **3.9%**

Financial and Rating Strength

The Club's capital has remained stable over the first half of 2019, with the Free Reserve forecast to increase to US\$312 million.

This strong financial performance has been reaffirmed by rating agency Standard and Poor's ("S&P") recently, confirming the Club's financial strength rating of A-, with a stable outlook. S&P commented that **"the Club remains very well capitalised and that this excellent capitalisation will continue to be sustained".**

Investment Performance

The investment return for the first six months is 3.9%. The Club's commitment to a conservative asset allocation has been maintained.

Claims

Whilst the projected claims figures for 2019 show the expected improvement compared to 2017 and 2018, which were particularly impacted by adverse large claims experience, the year is expected to produce an underwriting deficit.

Much of this is due to adverse Pool performance in the first 6 months,

with Pool claims running at a similar level to 2018, which is the worst in recent years. As a result, the year is forecast to produce a combined ratio of 111%.

Looking Forward

The Club remains committed to maintaining its capital position, by addressing the premium and claims imbalance and reducing the reliance upon investment return. This will be the focus as we enter the 2020 renewal season.

The Club has strengthened its fixed premium cover and offshore facility and we will continue to respond to the changing insurance requirements of the Membership. This will ensure that we are well positioned to meet the challenges of the market whilst providing cost effective cover for the Membership combined with high quality service.



Tom Bowsher Group CEO

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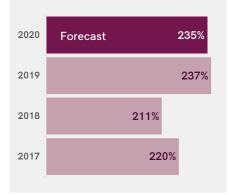




S&P Model result compared to "AAA" Target



Solvency Coverage



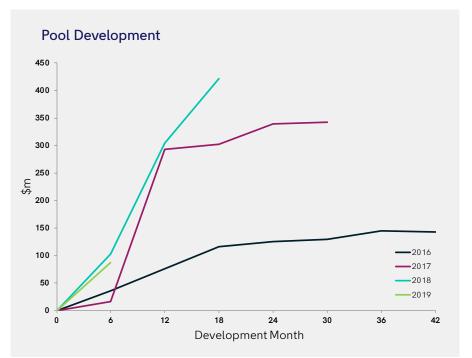
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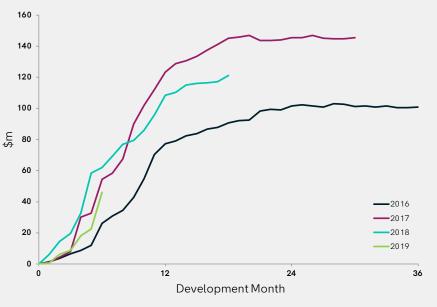
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