

## **Minutes of Executive Zoom meeting of NSWVGA Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

Meeting opened: 9.00 a.m. by President Ian Vidler.

Attendees: Ian Vidler, (President), Dick van Buuren (Treasurer), Peter Guy (Clr), John Dixon (Clr), Garry Mason (Clr), John Daley (Vice President), Les Knox (Vice President), Lance Fredericks (Clr), Aileen Williams (Secretary), Gerry Cox (Clr), Jim Shadlow (Clr), Stu Dossetor (Clr)

Apologies: Nil

Obituaries: Rex Currie (Dubbo Vets) and Leigh Wilcox (Dubbo Vets)

President Ian Vidler welcomed Dick van Buuren and thanked Dick for all his proactive work in the last few months.

Due to the resignation of Treasurer David Gunner Clr Ian Vidler moved a motion that Clr Dick van Buuren be appointed as treasurer until our A.G.M which will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021 - seconded Clr Les Knox - motion carried.

Clr John Dixon moved a motion to remove David Gunner as a signature for all accounts at the Commonwealth Bank. The signatures on all bank accounts will now be Treasurer Dick van Buuren, President Ian Vidler and Secretary Aileen Williams - seconded Peter Guy - motion carried.

Clr Dick van Buuren, after investigating which bank would best offers the best internet banking package for NSWVGA, moved a motion to open an internet banking account with Bendigo Bank, requiring two of the three signatures at a time to operate the account - seconded Clr John Daley - motion carried

Clr Dick van Buuren moved a motion that when the investment account matures in September, that it is rolled over into the operating account at this time - seconded Clr Ian Vidler – motion carried.

Clr Dick van Buuren moved a motion to update The Australian Business Register.

Treasurer Dick van Buuren and President Ian Vidler as Associates and Secretary Aileen Williams as the Contact. Associates can only make inquires.

Contact is authorized to make changes - seconded Clr Ian Vidler – motion carried.

Clr Ian Vidler moved a motion to rescind the previous motion that appointed Hans Juergen as auditor for 2021 and now appoint John Stuart as Auditor until the A.G.M - seconded Clr Les Knox– motion carried.

Minutes of previous Executive meeting of Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021, as previously circulated were confirmed on motion of Clr John Dixon seconded Clr Les Knox – carried.

Business Arising: Nil moved on motion of Clr John Dixon - seconded Clr Les Knox - motion carried.

Correspondence:

In:

- 17/6/21 Email from Rod Williams GROUP 8 Secretary resigning
- 23/6/21 Email Gary Mason- Medal survey
- 24/6/21 Medal survey received from John Tudor
- 24/6/21 Email Canowindra joins Group 22- Central West
- 25/6/21 New Group Secretary for Group 8 Hunter River - Lee Hunt
- 25/6/21 New Member inquiry from a member of Muirfield Golf Club
- 27/6/21 Email received from Wide Bay Vets Secretary
- 28/6/21 Medal survey received from Group 3
- 29/6/21 Email received from Lee Hunt New GROUP 8 Secretary
- 30/6/21 Email received from Port Stephen- regarding trophy amounts for WOG
- 2/7/21 Email received from Group 15 Secretary New Secretary Greg Constaine
- 5/7/21 Email received from Group 2 – affiliation payments
- 14/7/21 Group 1 Lower and Far South Coast – adding new members
- 21/7/21 Email received from Ross Lever

28/7/21 Emerald Downs joins Lower North Coast Group 12

30/7/21 Resignation received from David Gunner NSWVGA Treasurer

30/7/21 Email received from President Ian Vidler appointing Mr. Dick van Buuren as acting Treasurer until all positions declared at the 2021 A.G.M

Out:

21/6/21 Appreciation certificate Peter Turvey- Sugar Valley Golf Club Vets

23/6/21 Medal Survey sent out to all Group Secretaries

25/6/21 request sent to Western Sydney Vets Secretary - Roger Howard

27/6/21 Email forwarded from Wide Bay Vets Secretary to all NSWVGA Group Secretaries

30/7/21 Expression of interest to host NSWVGA Championships

Motion to receive all correspondence moved Clr Gerry Cox - seconded Clr Stu Dossetor- carried.

Reports:

President's & Sponsorship:

Presidents Report August 21

1. Following the resignation of Treasurer David Gunner on 28/07/21 I appointed Dick van Buuren to that position on a temporary basis until the next AGM. Dick is a retired Accountant, Group Secretary of Group 27 and showed a willingness to take up the position of Treasurer. He has been most helpful in checking the books over the last few months and is confident he can adapt to the Treasurer's role during the transfer of duties.

At the meeting I will be asking the members of the Executive Council to endorse my actions in appointing Dick to the position of Treasurer. I will also be asking Councillors to give Dick permission to proceed with any investigations he may consider

necessary to fulfil his duties e.g. Internet Banking, changing signatories on accounts etc.

I would like to publicly congratulate David and thank him for his many years of service to members of NSWVGA as the Tournament Director of Central Western (Orange) Week of Golf and Treasurer NSWVGA. He has been an excellent servant of our Association and I wish him well in his retirement.

2. I have been struggling to interpret the Motion, moved by Peter Guy and seconded by John Daley, allowing players to join NSWVGA from age 50 as of 1 January 2022. The statement, "this does not require groups or clubs to change their age limits for membership or tournaments," is confusing to Group Secretaries and members and I would like to see the adoption of this motion deferred until there has been wider discussion and a clearer solution to the impact it will have on all concerned.
3. In conjunction with the decision that all players be members of NSWVGA to play in NSWVGA events we should be clearer on the fee structure of those players who choose to pay fees to Tournament Directors and how that fee is processed through our system.
4. To date I have not done any costing for the Medal finals planned for later in the year. Covid has caused havoc with our program and I have already planned and cancelled two events and don't wish to invest time in another event which may also be cancelled.
5. Due to the cancellation of so many Weeks of Golf in recent months I am of the opinion that, as we did in 2020, we should offer compensation to those events which were affected by the pandemic. We should also consider what the recipient clubs should do with NSWVGA Vouchers, already forwarded to them prior to the cancellation of their events.

To all members of this Association, it is the Executive Council's hope that you stay safe and well in the coming months. Get the Jab, Wear a Mask and enjoy your golf.

Ian Vidler  
President NSWVGA  
2 August 2021

Motion to receive Report moved Clr. Ian Vidler - seconded Clr. Gerry Cox- carried.

Clr Garry Mason moved a motion to defer discussion on

1. Age qualification for membership of NSWVGA.
2. Membership to participate in NSWVGA events.
3. Membership of NSWVGA to win NSWVGA Shields.

until after the new membership data base is up and running - seconded Clr Jim Shadlow - motion carried.

Clr Jim Shadlow will canvas group secretaries on these 3 matters.

Compensation to clubs that have had to cancel their weeks of golf.

Clr John Dixon moved a motion to defer any compensation to clubs until the situation for the rest of the year is clear - seconded Clr John Daley - motion carried.

## Treasurer Report:

New South Wales Veteran Golf Assoc  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1.6.21 to 16.7.21

PAYMENTS	11509.08	OPENING BALANCE as at 9.4.21	41777.06
BANK BALANCE	35791.59	INCOME	5523.61
TOTALS	47300.67		47300.67
BALANCE AS PER BANK STATEMENT - AS AT 16.7.21			35791.59
LESS O/S [CHEQUES]/DEPOSITS			
ACTUAL BANK BALANCE			35791.59

EXPENSES		INCOME	
Councillors to Meeting	3247.67	Affiliation Fees	955
Councillors to Tournaments	4168.6	Rego Fees WOG	976
Grassroots vouchers	800	Interest	32.61
Postage	12	Sale of Books	260
Sponsorship	1530	Sponsorship	3300
Printing/Stationary	115.81	TOTAL INCOME	5523.61
Vouchers	100		
Miscellaneous Expenses	1535		
TOTAL EXPENSES	11509.08		

#### SUMMARY OF ASSETS

Bank Balance.	35791.59	
Greater Building Society	30000	Matures 6.9.21 at 0.20%
Vouchers for WOG	1620	
Voucher for NSW Medal	50	
	67461.59	

#### INCOME

	THIS PERIOD	YTD	LAST YR
Affiliation fees			
GROUP 1 - Far South Coast		\$180.00	
GROUP 2 - South Coast	\$120.00	\$6,155.00	
GROUP 3 - Illawarra		\$7,010.00	
GROUP 4 - Sydney		\$4,445.00	
GROUP 6 - Brisbane Water		\$2,030.00	
GROUP 7 - Newcastle	\$160.00	\$3,110.00	
GROUP 8 - Hunter River	\$60.00	\$2,620.00	
GROUP 9 - Port Stephens	\$120.00	\$2,860.00	
GROUP 10 - Myall Coast		\$1,140.00	
GROUP 11 - Manning River		\$3,285.00	
GROUP 12 - Lower North Coast		\$5,255.00	
GROUP 13 - Mid North Coast		\$1,765.00	
GROUP 14 - Northern Rivers	\$190.00	\$10,320.00	
GROUP 15 - New England		\$2,255.00	
GROUP 16 - Central North		\$1,970.00	
GROUP 17 - Upper Hunter		\$370.00	
GROUP 18 - Mudgee		\$430.00	
GROUP 19 - Blue Mountains		\$480.00	
GROUP 20 - Western Sydney	\$75.00	\$3,055.00	
GROUP 21 - Southern Highlands		\$770.00	
GROUP 22 - Central West		\$870.00	
GROUP 23 - South Western		\$2,225.00	
GROUP 25 - Murray River	\$70.00	\$380.00	
GROUP 26 - Southern Riverina		\$940.00	
GROUP 27 - Western Riverina	\$145.00	\$2,265.00	
GROUP 28 - Lachlan Valley		\$1,255.00	
GROUP 29 - Western Districts		\$2,430.00	

GROUP 30 - North West		\$1,065.00
GROUP 31 - Macarthur		\$960.00
GROUP 33 - Far West		\$250.00
Un Group -	\$15.00	\$3,300.00
TOTAL AFFIL FEES	\$955.00	\$76,400.00

REGO FEES WOG	THIS YEAR	YTD	LAST YEAR
Myall Coast		\$544.00	\$580.00
Shoalhaven		\$278.00	cancelled
Illawarra		cancelled	<u>cancelled</u>
Blue Mountains		\$212.00	\$166.00
Central West		\$366.00	\$380.00
Corowa/Hiwrong		\$226.00	\$246.00
Upper Hunter		\$150.00	\$190.00
Tocumwal	\$486.00		\$468.00
Tamworth		<u>\$314.00</u>	\$318.00
Rich River		\$420.00	cancelled
Narrabri			ancelled
Moree		cancelled	cancelled
Tumut		\$190.00	cancelled
Gundagai		\$174.00	cancelled
Inverell		\$300.00	cancelled
Cootmundra		\$154.00	cancelled
Uralla		\$208.00	cancelled
Forbes		\$228.00	cancelled
Armidale		\$150.00	cancelled
Casino	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled
Great Lakes	\$238.00		cancelled
Bucketts Way		\$146.00	cancelled
Lake Macquarie	\$252.00		cancelled
Nambucca	cancelled		cancelled
Sawtell	cancelled		cancelled
Maclean	cancelled		cancelled
Ballina	cancelled		cancelled
Sapphire Coast			cancelled
Eurodalla	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled
Coolangatta	cancelled		cancelled
Yamba	cancelled		cancelled
Coffs Harbour	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled
Macleay Valley			cancelled
Port Macquarie			cancelled
Wauchope	cancelled		cancelled
Murwillumbah			cancelled
Mudgee		\$280.00	cancelled
Dubbo			cancelled
Brisbane Waters			cancelled
Broken Hill			cancelled
Howlong			cancelled
Tenterfield			cancelled

Deniliquin		\$270.00	cancelled
Leeton		\$170.00	cancelled
Manning Valley			cancelled
Griffith			cancelled
Port Stephens			cancelled
Kew		\$330.00	cancelled
Southern Highlands			cancelled
Young		\$378.00	
Seaside Valley			
TOTAL FEES WOG	<u>\$976.00</u>	<u>\$6,464.00</u>	

#### SPONSORSHIP

Port Stephens Council Match Play	\$1,500.00		
NSW Golf	\$1,000.00		
Watsons Caravans	\$800.00		
	<u>\$3,300.00</u>	<u>\$3,300.00</u>	

#### INTEREST

GREATER BANK	\$18.40	\$43.79	
	\$14.21	\$61.25	
	<u>\$32.61</u>	<u>\$195.04</u>	

Miscellaneous Sale of Books	\$260.00	\$5,630.00	
TOTAL INCOME.	<u>\$5,523.61</u>	<u>\$91,899.04</u>	

#### EXPENSES

Meeting Costs	This Period	YTD
A.Williams. \$134.L.Frederick \$87. L.Knox \$47.S.Dossetor. \$121.P.Guy \$30. D.Gunner \$250. I,Vidler \$396 J.Daley \$462.89 J,Dixon \$661.33 J.Shadlow \$700,G.Cox \$210.45 Bankstown Golf Club \$148		\$3,863.50
Total Meeting Costs	<u>\$3,247.67</u>	<u>\$7,111.17</u>

#### Councillors to WOG

A.Williams		
Forbes,Grenfell,Tumut,Foster,Gloucester	\$1,348.20	
J.Shadlow Shoalhaven,Rich River	\$760.00	
I.Vidler Corowa,Tocumwal,Inverell,Match Play	\$1,000.00	
J,Daley Narrabri,Uralla.Armidale	\$1,060.40	
Total Councillors to WOG	<u>\$4,168.60</u>	<u>\$6,939.90</u>
Postage	\$12.00	
Total Postage		<u>\$267.80</u>

#### Grassroots Vouchers

Group 2		\$750.00
Group 3		\$800.00



Group 4		\$425.00
Group 6		\$250.00
Group 7		\$300.00
Group 8		\$175.00
Group 9		\$300.00
Group 10	\$125.00	
Group 11	\$500.00	
Group 12		\$625.00
Group 13		\$400.00
Group 14		\$1,300.00
Group 15		\$325.00
Group 16		\$350.00
Group 17		\$125.00
Group 18		\$75.00
Group 19	\$75.00	
Group 20		\$450.00
Group 21		\$150.00
Group 22		\$175.00
Group 23		\$425.00
Group 25	\$100.00	
Group 26		\$200.00
Group 27		\$325.00
Group 28		\$175.00
Group 29		\$450.00
Group 30		\$159.00
Group 31		\$125.00
Group 33		\$50.00
Kogarah		\$75.00
Randwick		\$75.00
Total Grassroots Vouchers	<u>\$800.00</u>	<u>\$9,825.00</u>
Insurance.		<u>\$10,572.25</u>
Printing/Stationary A.Williams	\$115.81	<u>\$115.81</u>
Sponsorship		
J.Daley	\$30.00	
Match Play	\$1,500.00	
Total Sponsorship	\$1,530.00	\$6,045.00
Vouchers for NSW Medal	\$100.00	<u>\$5,520.00</u>
Miscellaneous Expenses.		
Inside Golf	\$1,320.00	
A,Williams Flowers	\$100.00	
Cheque stopped	\$15.00	
C.W.Jewellers	\$100.00	
Total	\$1,535.00	<u>\$8,200.26</u>
Total Expenses	\$11,509.08	\$54,597.19

Motion to receive Report moved Clr. Dick VanBuuren seconded Clr. John Daley- carried.

Program Coordinator Report:

### **August Report Zoom Meeting Program**

#### **Overview**

August sees us in the middle of a crisis that has effected this years and maybe next year's program.

As the year progresses we have lost all of the weeks of golf up until Port Macquarie/Wauchope with the exception of South West Rocks which I fully expect to cancel in the near future.

Whether there will be applications to reschedule some events for later in the year is anyone's guess but we will wait and see.

#### **2022 Program.**

This will go ahead as scheduled. I have received correspondence from Tumut and Cootamundra who have indicated the intend to proceed with their weeks as scheduled.

I have heard nothing back from Gundagai and if nothing is forthcoming by the end of August I intend to ask Tumut to consider expanding their two days to a full week of golf.

Gundagai have had more than enough time to respond.

#### **2023 Program**

I have sent the draft copy to all councillors for comment.

There are two scenarios for the events around Easter to try and overcome the problems associated with some weeks of golf.

As this will be an agenda item for our ZOOM meeting the next step will be as directed by the meeting.

#### **The Future**

Over the last few weeks I have been contacted by Glen Innis veterans through their secretary who has had an extended stay in Yamba. They have indicated a wish to investigate a week of golf .They have received a basic outline of what is required to conduct a week but have been told that they must approach this through their Group

and then make application through NSWVGA.

There has also be unofficial approaches from Bingara to resume their week and for Wauchope to extend their two days to a week.

As I hear anything I will inform the Board on these matters.

NSWVGA Match Play.

We must now move to seek nominations for this event from 2023.

Their needs to be a criteria established and nominations called.

This needs to be an agenda item at this meeting.

Hears hoping things will improve as the year progresses or at least we can resume our weeks of golf in 2022.

Keep well all.

John Daley

Program Coordinator

NSWVGA

Motion to receive Report moved Clr. John Daley - seconded Clr. Lance Fredericks– carried.

Clr Garry Mason informed the meeting that Tumut/ Gundagai are happy to proceed with the dates as per program for 2022, as for 2023 Clr Garry Mason will speak with the Tournament Directors.

Website report

## NSWVGA – Website Report – Aug 21

### **1. Public website**

- We recently had problems with editing the Groups & Clubs page which lasted over a number of weeks. These have now been resolved by MiClub rebuilding the page.
- The format of the 2022 Program has been modified to allow for the NSWVGA Rep to be identified for each event.
- Gerry Cox has agreed to join the team handling updates to the public site.

**Action:** Peter Guy to organize a login with MiClub and to provide training to Gerry.

- The Tournament Director and Group Secretary history pages have been created by MiClub as empty drafts. Dick Farrant has provided the historical data. We need to decide the best format to present these and then load the history.

## **2. New Membership Register**

- We expect to get access to the initial version of the Register in the next week. The first step will be for Stu and myself to familiarise ourselves with it, check it out thoroughly, and discuss any amendments with Jo Hunter. I expect that this will take 2-3 weeks.
- When we are satisfied with the functionality of the site, the database has to be copied from the old site, cleaned up as far as possible, and loaded onto the new site. I expect that this will take 4-6 weeks.
- It is important to bring Group Secretaries into the process at an early stage because we need their help in getting the site ready. I suggest that they should each be contacted individually rather than through a general email, to cover the following
  - We need to advise them that the new Register will be brought into action in the next couple of months. They will get plenty of notice, and there will be a short period (less than a week) when updates will not be allowed.
  - They will require new logins for the new site and we need to check who currently uses a login for the current site and what for. Is it just the GS or are there other users? If there are other users, do they do queries only or do they make changes as well?
  - We need to check with each GS that the list of clubs for their group on the website is complete and correct.

- We would like to get an Excel file of their members so that we can check their records against our database as we load it. We will provide feedback to each GSs on any discrepancies we find. The file should contain at minimum the GolfLink number, first name and last name for each member but, to make it easy, we can accept any dump of their existing digital records.

**Action:** Who should be responsible for contacting the GSs?

- We need to identify all other users – TDs, Councillors, Richard Doyle – is there anyone else? We need to check how they use the current site – queries or updates?

**Action:** Who can take the lead in getting a definitive list?  
Note: we have a list of all the user ids from the current site, but it is known to be out of date.

### 3. Dropbox

I am in the process of setting up a set of folders on Dropbox so that we can all access the 'master' version of common documents and files.

The benefits of this are:

- The latest version is always easy to find in a standard place – no searching through emails to find when it was sent out.
- Newcomers immediately have access to all documents that they require.
- No concerns about someone being left off an email list.
- It is possible to set documents up so that anyone can add comments or updates that everyone can track.

Note it will still be easy to download a copy of any document to your own computer if you want to access it or work on it off-line.

Suggested inclusions are:

- Documents for Council meetings
- Draft policies and minutes
- Internal procedure documents
- Excel version of the program for each year

- Excel version of the Groups & Clubs list
- Email lists – GSs, TDs, Exec Council

Peter Guy

12 Jun 2021

Motion to receive Report moved Clr. Peter Guy - seconded Clr. Les Knox – carried.

Matters on Notice:

1. Medal finals- Forbes and Nambucca  
Clr Garry Mason moved a motion due to current situation with Covid 19 we cancel the Medal and 4 B Finals at Forbes and Nambucca this year. Those groups that have players that have qualified in 2020 or 2021 will be able to compete in 2022.  
Seconded Clr John Dixon- carried
2. Collection of Membership Fees- At weeks of golf Tournament directors can collect the fees and pass them onto the NSWVGA treasurer. The members will then be listed under the tournament director
3. Policy 7 Updated - Clr Peter Guy moved a motion that we accept the revised policy 7 - seconded Clr John Daley - motion carried.
4. Sponsorship Of NSWVGA Match Play Championships Clr Les Knox moved to adjust the sponsorship for the Match Play Championships to \$2060.00  
Sand greens Championship is run in conjunction with NSW Golf on advice from Graeme Phillipson Golf NSW be reduced to Veteran Winner and Runner Up in both scratch and Nett. Remove the practice of awarding daily prizes, as NSW Golf already award daily prizes and veterans are able to compete for them - seconded Clr John Daley - motion carried
5. Concerns for Future weeks of golf - Ross Lever. Clr Garry Mason moved a motion that we defer any further discussion on this matter until Clr Jim Shadlow can canvas group secretaries and

report back to next meeting. Secretary will inform Mr Lever.

6. Sand Green Championship- due to be held in Narromine in Mid September. Clr Ian Vidler moved on motion that due to the uncertainty caused by Covid virus we cancel the NSWVGA Sand Green Championships for 2021 - seconded Clr John Dixon carried.

#### General Business:

Group 23 have had a positive re-orientation and some members re-join NSWVGA. As well as an inquiry from a new club.

Women's Veterans Golf Association have offered to sponsor \$100.00 towards the Stroke play championship for the Ladies been played at Dubbo 1st to the 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Meeting Closed at 11.35am

Next Meeting will be a Zoom meeting on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October

#### Matters of Action:

1. Clr Jim Shadlow to canvas group secretaries on Gary Mason motion- NSWVGA Membership, Shields, age limits.
2. Clr Garry Mason to investigate on how to improve membership entry for the Ladies to join NSWVGA.
3. Secretary to inform Group Secretaries when the minutes will be available to download from the NSWVGA web site.
4. Secretary will contact Ross Lever and inform him that his letter was discussed at the Committee meeting and we have decided to canvas the other groups in regards to this.
5. Clr Garry Mason to speak with Tumut/ Gundagai/ Cootamundra tournament directors regarding 2023 WOG program.
6. Clr Jim Shadlow to contact Glenn Innes regarding possible WOG.
7. Clr John Dixon to send bank details to Women's Veterans Golf Association (Sponsorship of Ladies Stroke Play)

8. In appreciation of the support given to NSWVGA Clr Les Knox to invite WVGA representative Mrs Nancy Cullen to the next Executive meeting 7<sup>th</sup> October, which will be a Zoom meeting.