

Minutes of the NSWVGA Executive Council Meeting Wednesday 25th January 2023

At 6.00pm via Zoom

Meeting Opened by President Les Knox

In Attendance: Les Knox (President), John Daley (Vice/ Pres), John Dixon (Vice/Pres)
Aileen Williams(Sec), Dick van Buuren (Treasurer), Stuart Dossetor (Clr), Peter Taylor(Clr), Peter Guy(Clr), Jim Shadlow(Clr), Penny Hudson(Clr), Rob Trembath(Clr)

Apologies: Charlie Swyer (Clr)

Matters for Updates and or Discussion:

1.Website Report –

The New members data base is completed.

Group secretaries need to be contacted now to request the necessary information as to who is going to update the data base for their group.

How they record their memberships and who collects the fees for the group.

At what time of year are the membership renewals done.

(Clr) Peter Guy suggested that we compile this information first and then bring on the Group Secretaries starting with the following Groups so we can address any issues that may rise within these groups. If there are no problems then the rest of the group secretaries will be brought on board.

1 Lower and Far South Coast

2 Mid South Coast

3 Illawarra

4 Sydney

14 Northern Rivers

(Clr) Stu Dossetor will divide the Group Secretaries into 3 sections between himself and (Clr) Aileen Williams and (Clr) Jim Shadlow. They will then contact each Group Secretary by phone to collect the required information. (Clr) Stu Dossetor will then correlate it and send to (Clr) Peter Guy.

(Clr) Peter Guy will provide all Councilors with a login to access the data base with in the next couple of days

2024 Program will go up on the web site by Friday

Technical assistance for the website- (Clr) Peter Guy will ask Jo from Inbound web solution for a quote to maintain the web site.

2. Constitution:

The Constitution Sub Committee will do a list of principles and send to the Executive Committee prior to the next meeting for consideration at the next meeting on Wednesday 8th March.

These changes to the Constitution are then to be adopted at a Special Meeting on Wednesday 7th of June

3. Membership of NSWVGA:

All groups have different requirements when joining up new members

Any one that isn't a current member of NSWVGA irrespective of where they come from must pay \$5.00 and then they are eligible to play in any NSWVGA event.

Moved on motion (Clr) John Dixon Seconded (Clr) Peter Guy - 2 against – Motion Carried

4. Weeks of Golf- Bookings on Line:

Tournament directors are encouraged to have an alternative for members when they are required to enter a tournament online.

5. Henbury Veteran Golf Club:

Henbury Veteran Golf Club is moved to Directly Affiliated Clubs on the website.

Moved on motion (Clr) Peter Guy Seconded (Clr) John Daley – carried

6. AVGU:

(Pres) Les Knox was asked at our meeting on the 7th of December to contact the AVGU with a list of questions to be answered. To date (Pres) Les has had little response with his emails to the AVGU.

The President of the AVGU, Mr. Alan Chrisp to be invited along to the NSWVGA Executive Meeting at Kogarah Golf Club, Wednesday 7th June 2023 commencing 9.00am, to address the issues raised in (Pres) Les email. What benefits do NSWVGA members receive from being a member of the AVGU?

Moved on motion (Clr) Dick van Buuren Seconded (Clr) Stu Dossetor - carried

7. Amalgamation of NSWVGA with Veteran Women's Golf Association of NSW:

(Pres) Les will keep the communication open between the two committees.

8. NSWVGA Policies:

A sub Committee was formed to revamp the NSWVGA Policies and report back to the committee. The Committee will consider the changes via email and adopt them via email.

The subcommittee consist of (Vice Pres) John Daley, (Clr) Penny Hudson, (Clr) Rob Trembath

9. Maitland Vets name change:

NSWVGA approves the change in club name to East but does not approve the change from Veterans to seniors. Seniors and Veterans are two separate groups. Seniors are not Veterans and run a totally different set up to us. A NSWVGA Group must have **Veterans** in the Name of the Group

Moved on motion (Vice Pres) John Daley Seconded (Clr) John Dixon - carried

It is very confusing for members when Senior is in the name of a NSWVGA Veteran Group.

Due to internet issues created by a storm (Clr) Jim Shadlow's internet dropped out prior to the closure of the meeting.

Meeting closed: 8.05 pm

Next Meeting Wednesday 8th March 2023 via Zoom

Actions Points

1. (Clr) Jim Shadlow, (Clr) Stu Dossetor and (Clr) Aileen Williams to contact group secretaries and compile the required information for the data base. This is to be completed by 3/2/23. (Clr) Stu Dossetor will then compile a spread sheet and send to (Clr) Peter Guy
2. (Vice Pres) John Daley, (Clr) Rob Trembath, (Clr) Penny Hudson to revamp the NSWVGA policies and send out to the committee for approval
3. (Clr) Aileen Williams to invite Alan Chrisp to Executive meeting 7th June 2023
4. (Clr) Aileen Williams to reply to Maitland Vets

New Membership Register

I am pleased to be able to report that the new Membership Register is finally ready for use.

There are a couple of minor problems, but these do not affect the user's operation of the system. Tomorrow the database that has been used for testing will be completely removed and replaced by a version extracted from the old Membership Register as at today and the Register will be available for use.

A user login has been set up for each Councillor. I will send the logins to each person individually.

The old Register will remain active until we have moved all users over to the new register, and all updates made to the old Register from now until we close it down will be regularly applied to the new Register.

We need to discuss a schedule for bringing users (GSs and TDs) over to the new register.

Constitution review

as previously advised, this has been put on the back burner until other more urgent items have been dealt with.

The next action will be for the sub-committee to put forward a set of 'principles' to Councillors for discussion at the Council meeting in March. These principles will cover substantive changes, not specific wordings.

When the principles are agreed, the sub-committee will then draft the wording of the revised constitution for review.

Cheers
Peter G

Dear Sir

At a recent committee meeting of Maitland Veteran Golfers the question was raised "Is it possible to change our name to say "East Senior Golfers" for the following reasons:

1. The term Veteran in normal terms refers to a "person who served in the active military, naval or air service" not just someone over 55. The use of Veteran could possibly cause offence to some actual Veterans, and is also misleading in that some people actually think we are for Veterans only.
2. The Name Maitland was replaced with Easts approx 20years ago when East Maitland Bowling Club took over Maitland Golf Club and renaming it Easts Leisure & Golf. The name Maitland is considered no longer relevant in current times.

So my questions are:

1. Do NSWVGA have any objections if we were to change our name to Easts Senior Golfers
2. Would we retain our current affiliation with NSWVGA.
3. What would NSWVGA need to instigate this change

Regards

Paul Lindeman
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Maitland Veteran Golfers