

# MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE ZOOM MEETING OF NSWVGA WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 VIA ZOOM

## To Start at 5.30pm

Meeting Opened: 5.30pm

Attendees: Pres Les Knox, Vice Pres John Daley, Vice Pres John Dixon, Clr Aileen Williams, Clr Dick van Buuren, Clr Stu Dossetor, Clr Peter Taylor, Clr Peter Guy, Clr Penny Hudson, Clr Charlie Swyer, Clr Robert Trembath.

Life member Richard Farrant joined the meeting as an observer

Apologies: Clr Jim Shadlow

Moved on motion to accept the apologies

Clr Dick van Buuren Seconded Clr Stu Dossetor - carried

Clr Jim Shadlow experience some internet issues and was able to join the meeting later.

Obituaries: Nil

Previous Minutes as circulated

NSWVGA Executive Council Meeting Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Motion to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record.

Clr John Dixon Seconded Clr Peter Taylor- carried

Matters Arising: Clr Peter Guy moved that we should change our rules to state any membership received on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> of July should be valid until the end of the following year.

Moved on motion Clr Peter Guy Seconded Clr Dick van Buuren

As a Zoom meeting was to be held by the end of September, President Les asked Clr Peter Guy to update the committee on the progress of the new constitution document. Clr Peter Guy will get a document out to the sub committee by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October to the constitution subcommittee to review and then after it has been reviewed it will then go out to the group secretaries . Shortly after that a zoom meeting will be held .

The Old members register is now closed.

Voting at a AGM or Special General Meeting

To have voting rights at an AGM or Special General meeting you must be a group delegate from the association or be a proxy delegate for a group from the association.

Correspondence: In

7.8.23 Email received from Alan Hobbs – Social players joining NSWVGA- course rating, players that join cheaper golf clubs

15.8.23 Email received from Constitution Committee

18.8.23 Revised Championship Trophy Allocations from Clr John Dixon

23.8.23 Email received from Colin Thorniley Secretary AVGU- membership numbers for NSWVGA

24.8.23 Email sent to President from Jennie Overhall

27.8.23 Reply email received from Mike Grills TD Yamba, sent to John Daley regarding Jennie Overhall letter

3.9.23 Quotation received for file download of club list- Members register

19.9.23 Email received from President of the AVGU Mr Alan Chrisp regarding request to change venue for the 2024 AVGU Championships

20.9.23 Email received from Gill Wilson Secretary BWDVGC

20.9.23 Wal Chapman- Guyra Vets requesting to apply for a 3 day Tournament October 2024

21.9.23 Emails received from Alan Hobbs inquiring on handicaps at different courses

18.9.23 President received email received from Jeff Williamson Tournament Director Mudgee Vets

2.10.23 Email received from Bill Studeman Wauchope Vets- request to extend their WOG

5.10.23 Email received from Group 25 Secretary Rick Jamieson – not wanting to go ahead with the EOI for AVGU Championships 2027

7.10.23 EOI received from Group 3 Secretary Steve Wicks

7.10.23 Email received from Greg Constantine regarding Guyra Tournament

8.10.23 Email received from Richard Farrant recommendations from EOI committee to host the AVGU Championship 2027

8.10.23 Email received from Colin Thorniley – Notice of AGM and relevant documents

8.10.23 Copy of proposal for advertising

Correspondence: Out

11.8.23 Reply email sent to Group 7 secretary Peter Lawrence

11.8.23 Email to inform Cowra on NSWVGA decision to be Directly Affiliated a copy of the email was also sent to Group28 Secretary Beryl Roberts.

Secretary to reply to Griffith Vets regarding their email.

12.8.23 Reply email sent Group 26 Secretary- Rand Wilson - Benefits to members when they join NSWVGA

22.8.23 Notification sent to Colin Thorniley AVGU Secretary – Change in Delegate attending their AGM in November

25.8.23 Reply email sent to Jennie Overhall

8.9.23 Email to Colin Thorniley Secretary of the AVGU- advising of issues with secretary @nswvga.com

20.9.23 Reply email sent to BWDVGC

21.9.23 Reply email sent to Alan Hobbs

22.9.23 Reply email to Alan Hobbs- stating that he must use the players correct GA for the upcoming NSWVGA Vets tournament

28.9.23 Reply email sent to Jeff Williamson T D Mudgee Vets

7.10.23 EOI sent out to all councillors

Motion moved to accept correspondence as read Clr John Daley seconded Clr JimShadlow- carried

## **REPORTS:**

President Les Knox as circulated and read

Moved on motion Clr Dick van Buuren Seconded Clr Peter Guy - carried

**President's Report for NSWVGA Executive Council Meeting 11 October, 2023.**

**Closure of NSWVGA Member's Register.**

The old NSWVGA Member's Register was closed on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023 with all membership information now available on the New NSWVGA Member's Register.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Barry Maloney, who developed Old Member's Register in 2016 when NSWVGA decided to change management of the Member's Register. Since that time Barry has maintained the website until its recent closure.

During the past 8 years Barry has done everything asked of him and our Association is extremely grateful for his assistance and guidance during that time.

### **Relaying of information to Group Secretaries and Directly Affiliated Clubs.**

During the last 12 months the Executive Council has worked on updating many matters including the following:

- Constitution,
- New Members Register,
- Policies.

The Executive Council have tried to keep all Group Secretaries, Directly Affiliated Clubs and Members updated with the changes being made and recommended, through News Letters, Emails, Meeting Minutes and telephone calls.

It is difficult to ensure that all Clubs and Members receive information circulated as on occasions information relayed gets lost or overlooked during transmission stages.

For changes to be effective all Groups, Clubs and Members must be aware of changes and amendments adopted. Are there other ways we can improve our methods of communications to all parties involved?

The Association might look at allocating Groups/Clubs amongst Councillors who could contact the Groups/Clubs allocated to them by telephone and or email, to ensure all get and understand changes or amendments made or recommended.

The Association should also take steps to remind Groups/Clubs when it is time for them to renew membership as I am aware that some renewals of memberships have been overlooked.

### **Proposed amendments to NSWVGA Constitution.**

An extensive review of the NSWVGA Constitution was carried out by the Constitution Sub-Committee, Peter Guy, Dick Farrant and Lance Fredericks and submitted for consideration at a Special General Meeting of NSWVGA on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 when a motion to adopt the amended Constitution was defeated.

The Constitution Sub-Committee has called for and received further submissions.

A lot of time has been spent on debating proposed amendments to the Constitution and the time has arrived when decisions have to be made and accepted, as we are working with a constitution that is outdated and, in my view, unworkable in its current format.

### **Conclusion.**

As previously indicated it is with deep regret that I will not be seeking election for any position on the Executive at the next AGM in December, 2023.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my years on the Executive Council and have been so lucky to have met and worked with many veteran golfers who I am now honoured to call friends.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Tournament Directors, Group Secretaries and Members of the Association who voluntarily give up so much of their time to make this Association the success it is today.

There are times when Tournament Directors receive adverse criticism on the way their tournaments are conducted. Remember these Tournament Directors prepare for tournaments over the preceding months and go through many stressful hours doing their very best to conduct golf tournaments for the benefits of the NSWVGA and its members. It is important not to be critical of these dedicated people, but work with them through constructive discussions to see how each tournament can be improved.

Les Knox

President NSWVGA

October 2023.

### **Treasurers Report:**

### Treasurer's Report to NSWVGA's Executive Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023

- My financial report covers the full year 2022/23 and these details have been forwarded to our Auditor. I expect to have the Auditor's report within a couple of weeks.
- I note that a number of Travel Subsidies for 2022/23 have not been claimed despite my request (2<sup>nd</sup> Sept '23) that they be submitted by the end of September.
- Two weeks after the Ballina WoG their Treasurer requested details re paying the \$2 levy. Our message is not getting out there.
- Honorariums paid in September as follows: President \$1,100, Secretary \$600, Program Co-ordinator \$500 and Treasurer \$500.

#### NSWVGA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1-Oct-22 to 30-Sep-23

PAYMENTS	74,459.49	OPENING BALANCE as at 1.10.2022	78,142.29
BANK BALANCE as detailed below	91,248.52	INCOME	87,565.72
TOTALS	165,708.01		165,708.01
BALANCE AS PER BANK STATEMENT ATTACHED AS AT:-			
LESS O/S (CHEQUES) / DEPOSITS		30/09/2023 CBA	41,468.36
		30/09/2023 Bendigo	6,960.16
		Bendigo Bank Term Deposit matures 13/2/2024 Rate 4.1%	40,000.00
		Paid in Advance WOG VHR	2,820.00
ACTUAL BANK BALANCE			91,248.52

#### EXPENSES

DESCRIPTION	YTD 2023	2022 year
Administration Fees	4,145.12	2,595.50
Affiliation fees	2,500.00	
Audit Fees	330.00	330.00
Donations	-	500.00
Insurances	12,163.87	10,941.98
Postage Print & Stat	641.42	721.33
Sponsorship	8,440.00	6,240.00
Vouchers	18,640.00	13,780.00
Trav Exes Meetings	6,937.17	3,178.35
Miscellaneous Travel Exes	579.78	
Trophies, Shields & Pres Folders	3,254.07	2,274.20
Website	6,875.00	7,095.00
Grassroots	-	7,550.00
Grants	-	5,100.00
WOG Travel Subsidy	6,300.00	7,641.60
Honorariums	2,700.00	2,700.00
Meetings Lunch & Cabs	557.06	450.23
Journal	396.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	74,459.49	71,098.19

#### INCOME

DESCRIPTION	YTD 2023	2022 year
Affiliation Fees	83,269.00	79,520.00
WOG Player Rego Fees	2,058.00	8,518.00
Interest	238.82	275.98
Sponsorship	1,000.00	1,800.00
Administration income	-	
Unidentified Deposits	26.00	10.00
Book Sales	-	100.00
Sale of Vouchers	370.00	
Journal	396.00	
Insurance Contribution	207.90	
TOTAL INCOME	87,565.72	90,223.98

**New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association**  
**Details of year to date Income & expenses**  
**1/10/2022 to 30/09/2023**

**PAYMENTS**

DESCRIPTION	YTD	Prev YTD
Administration fees	4,145.12	2,595.50
Affiliation Fees	2,500.00	-
Audit Fees	330.00	330.00
Donations	-	500.00
Insurances	12,163.87	10,941.98
Postage Printing & Stationery	641.42	721.33
Sponsorship	8,440.00	6,240.00
Vouchers	18,640.00	13,780.00
Misc Travel	579.78	
Council Meeting Tx Swyer	-	-
Council Meeting Tx Daley	823.46	260.80
Council Meeting Tx Knox	170.84	31.80
Council Meeting Tx Williams	896.95	368.60
Council Meeting Tx van Buuren	1,444.71	315.00
Council Meeting Tx Trembath	552.77	611.54
Council Meeting Tx Dossetor	-	94.80
Council Meeting Tx Taylor	324.02	242.39
Council Meeting Tx Guy	-	200.00
Council Meeting Tx Hudson	573.54	
Council Meeting Tx Shadlow	1,382.00	584.00
Council Meeting Tx Dixon	768.88	398.02
Council Meeting Tx Former Councillors		71.40
Council Meeting Tx TOTAL	6,937.17	3,178.35
Trophies Shields & Presentation Folders	3,254.07	2,274.20
Website	6,875.00	7,095.00
Grassroots		7,550.00
Grants for Cancelled WOG	-	5,100.00
Honorariums	2,700.00	2,700.00

WOG Travel Subsidy Swyer	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Daley	1,000.00	2,028.70
WOG Travel Subsidy Knox	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Williams	1,800.00	2,043.00
WOG Travel Subsidy van Buuren	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Trembath	200.00	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Dossetor	-	200.00
WOG Travel Subsidy Taylor	1,700.00	200.00
WOG Travel Subsidy Guy	-	658.10
WOG Travel Subsidy Hudson	800.00	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Shadlow	600.00	1,190.00
WOG Travel Subsidy Dixon	200.00	490.00
WOG Travel Subsidy Former Councillors		831.80
WOG Travel Subsidy TOTAL	6,300.00	7,641.80

Meetings Lunch & Cabs	557.06	450.23
Journal	396.00	
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>74,459.49</b>	<b>71,098.19</b>

**INCOME**

DESCRIPTION	YTD	Prev YTD
Affiliation Fees Group 1	250.00	370.00
Affiliation Fees Group 2	6,765.00	6,605.00
Affiliation Fees Group 3	7,405.00	7,475.00
Affiliation Fees Group 4	4,750.00	4,745.00
Affiliation Fees Group 5 NOW GR 51	-	-
Affiliation Fees Group 6	2,115.00	2,165.00
Affiliation Fees Group 7	3,450.00	4,065.00
Affiliation Fees Group 8	1,135.00	1,810.00
Affiliation Fees Group 9	2,975.00	2,470.00
Affiliation Fees Group 10	1,115.00	1,120.00
Affiliation Fees Group 11	3,355.00	2,370.00
Affiliation Fees Group 12	6,359.00	5,345.00
Affiliation Fees Group 13	1,675.00	1,855.00
Affiliation Fees Group 14	11,075.00	11,830.00
Affiliation Fees Group 15	2,560.00	2,525.00
Affiliation Fees Group 16	4,490.00	2,225.00
Affiliation Fees Group 17	325.00	455.00
Affiliation Fees Group 18	415.00	470.00
Affiliation Fees Group 19	-	535.00
Affiliation Fees Group 20	2,680.00	2,575.00
Affiliation Fees Group 21	805.00	755.00
Affiliation Fees Group 22	865.00	1,070.00
Affiliation Fees Group 23	2,370.00	2,815.00
NO Group 24	-	-
Affiliation Fees Group 25	415.00	635.00
Affiliation Fees Group 26	965.00	1,340.00
Affiliation Fees Group 27	2,965.00	2,505.00
Affiliation Fees Group 28	1,080.00	1,365.00
Affiliation Fees Group 29	2,180.00	2,190.00
Affiliation Fees Group 30	1,075.00	1,235.00
Affiliation Fees Group 31	900.00	980.00
No Group 32	-	-
Affiliation Fees Group 33	235.00	400.00
WoG Sign ups	3,140.00	-
Directly Affiliated Clubs	3,380.00	3,220.00
<b>Affiliation Fees TOTAL</b>	<b>83,269.00</b>	<b>79,520.00</b>
WOG Player Registration Fees		
Deniliquin	196.00	128.00
Dubbo	272.00	-
Great lakes Cancelled	-	-
Kew Cancelled	-	330.00
Leeton	136.00	80.00
Manning Valley	82.00	-
Port Stephens	270.00	-
Seaside Valley Kiama	228.00	-
Silver City	156.00	-
Southern highlands	238.00	-
Tenterfield	246.00	-
Griffith Abandoned	-	232.00
Young WOG	234.00	232.00
Various		-
<b>WOG Player Registration Fees TOTAL</b>	<b>2,058.00</b>	<b>8,518.00</b>
Interest	238.82	275.98
Sponsorship	1,000.00	1,800.00
Administration Income	-	-
Unidentified Deposits	26.00	10.00
Book Sales	-	100.00
Journal	396.00	-
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Insurance Contribution	207.90	-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>87,565.72</b>	<b>90,223.98</b>



**NSWVGA**  
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**\$6,960.23**  
Available balance

**\$6,960.23**  
Current balance

**Activity**

		Debit	Credit	Running balance
October 1, 2023	Interest		\$0.07	\$6,960.23
September 29, 2023	Inverell Veteran Gol NSWVGA Gr 15	\$100.00		\$6,960.16
September 28, 2023	Manning Valley Week of Golf NSWVGA WOG Gift Ca	\$370.00		\$7,060.16
	L & N Week of Golf NSWVGA WOG Gift Ca	\$370.00		\$7,430.16
September 21, 2023	Deniliquin Golf Club NSWVGA WOG Gift Ca	\$370.00		\$7,800.16
	Tenterfield Veteran Golfers NSWVGA WOG Gift Ca	\$370.00		\$8,170.16



**NSWVGA Acc** 062-234 2800 2400

Available	<b>\$41,483.31</b>
Pending	\$0.00
Balance	<b>\$41,483.31</b>

Pay or transfer

Showing 40 transactions

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
Sun 01 Oct 2023	Credit Interest		+\$14.95	\$41,483.31
Tue 26 Sep 2023	Direct Credit 048411 Reg Aus Bank NSWVGA Fees 2023		+\$210.00	\$41,468.36
Fri 22 Sep 2023	Direct Credit 148004 SWR GOLF VETERAN South West Rocks		+\$1,045.00	\$41,258.36
Fri 22 Sep 2023	Direct Credit 199249 RICH RIVER GOLF RRG		+\$50.00	\$40,213.36
Thu 14 Sep 2023	Direct Credit 048411 Reg Aus Bank Group 29		+\$25.00	\$40,163.36
Mon 11 Sep 2023	Direct Credit 148004 MACLEAY VALLEY W Macleay Valley WOG		+\$155.00	\$40,138.36
Mon 11 Sep 2023	DEPOSIT CASH \$30.00 CHEQUE \$0.00 Branch LISMORE 1 Hastings Valley		+\$30.00	\$39,983.36
Mon 11 Sep 2023	DEPOSIT CASH \$70.00 CHEQUE \$0.00 Branch LISMORE 1 Manning valley		+\$70.00	\$39,953.36
Sun 10 Sep 2023	Fast Transfer From MRS PENNY DIANE HUDSO 10 signups Mudjee rego golf		+\$50.00	\$39,883.36
Wed 06 Sep 2023	Fast Transfer From WESTERN SYDNEY REGION Group 20		+\$10.00	\$39,833.36

Treasurer informed the committee that the auditor was not available to continue in his role as auditor for NSWVGA.

Clr Dick van Buuren moved on motion to accept his report read and circulated Seconded Clr Peter Guy-carried

Program Co Ordinator Report:

### **Program Report Zoom Meeting October 23**

#### ***Introduction***

We are well into the back half of the year, having completed 45 of the 57 events scheduled for the year. There were three events cancelled but at least two of these, Sawtell and Howlong, will go ahead next year. One of the events completed was the trial at Barham with the trial at Harden to proceed in November.

#### **2023 Program**

As mentioned, we are well into this year's program, and it must be pointed out that in some instances numbers are on the increase but sadly there are some events that are starting to struggle with numbers which may be due to the economic climate but not entirely to this fact. There seems to be a decrease in the promotion of some weeks of golf by weeks of golf committees who are relying on either past performances or expecting NSWVGA to promote their event. There is also a growing trend for the Golf Club administrators to run the event with little or no help from veteran groups. This will see the demise of their week of golf unless Veterans are prepared to get involved and either run the event or participate in its running.

#### **2024 Program**

At this stage there are two changes

1 Glen Innes have moved from October to April to fill the gap left by Armidale withdrawing.

2 Sawtell have indicated they will proceed with their week of golf commitment in August. This is later than normal but their request along with Nambucca Heads for times outside of the school holidays period has been met.

There has been a request from Wauchope to extend their two-day event to a four-day event. They have been told they will have to request this firstly through their Group and then make a formal request to NSWVGA to be considered. As far as the program is concerned there is a spot prior to Manning Valley, (Taree , Tallwoods and Harington Waters) from 7<sup>th</sup> – 11 October. I have contact Port Macquarie as a courtesy to see if they wish to extend their two days to four days, but they cannot because of their commitments to their club program . This may open the door for Emerald Downs to be approached to see if they want to fill the gap left by Wauchope. Either Charlie or I will keep all up to date on this matter.

The AVGU Championships will now be held in South Australia along the Riverlands which includes Loxton, Barmera, and Berri. This event will clash with our event at Leeton which the AVGU would be quite oblivious and as such we as the Board should be encouraging NSW vets to support our own as this was a last-minute change and something that won't allow us to reschedule our program to support both events.

### ***2025 Program***

We are now at draft no 4 stage. All of the changes have been for the change of Tournament Directors and their contact details. The draft no 5 will be sent out in early November with a cut-off date of 30 th November for any last-minute changes and this will then be presented to the Board for approval and be placed on the website in January 2024.

John Daley

Program Co Ordinator

NSWVGA

Clr John Daley moved on motion to accept his report as read Seconded Clr Penny Hudson - carried

# NSWVGA TECHNICAL REPORT – OCT 23

## 1.1.1.1.1. Membership Register implementation

Of the 30 groups, all have applied for a login except:

- 10 - Myall Coast
- 19 - Blue Mountains

The following groups were sent a login more than 4 weeks ago, but have not yet done any updates:

- 8 - Hunter River
- 12 - Lower North Coast
- 17 - Upper Hunter
- 20 - Western Sydney
- 26 - Southern Riverina

In addition, 3 groups were sent a login recently, but haven't yet done any updates.

Of the 12 Directly Affiliated Clubs, all have applied for a login except:

- Cumberland
- Kogarah
- Kareela

About half of the DACs have done updates.

Rob Trembath is chasing up the inactive groups and clubs.

There have been no difficulties reported with using the system itself. New users seem generally to be able to start using the system without any support.

2 minor errors have been found – these have been notified to the developer for correcting.

Problems are regularly being uncovered in the data that has been brought across from the old Register. The most common problem is incorrect GolfLink numbers, and these can only be resolved by detailed analysis of each case.

## 1.1.1.1.2. Membership reconciliation

Some Group Secs have expressed concerns over the reconciliation capabilities of the new system.

On a monthly basis I produce an analysis of updates made by users and share this with Rob and Dick. The September analysis is attached.

Also attached is an analysis of memberships by Group and Club. Because of the erroneous data that we are still correcting, these numbers are suspect. When we have been through a full cycle of renewals on the new register, the numbers will be much more reliable.

We will work to develop procedures to assist Group and Club Secs to reconcile their records.

## 1.1.1.1.3. Public website

The public website is now running smoothly, although there are still members unaware of it or looking at other sites. We must continue to get the message out that the official website is the place to go for event info, results and news.

The first documents for a 2024 tournament were received in August, and others are now coming in. I recommend that each Tournament Director is contacted to check on their documents in advance of their submission to head off any potential re-work.

Gerry has asked us to remind everyone that any items for the News or Results sections should be submitted as editable text (e.g. Word document) and **not** as a pdf. Please could all Councillors help to get the message out.

Peter Guy

11 Oct 23

Clr Peter Guy moved on motion to accept his report as read and circulated Seconded Clr Penny Hudson

## **General Business:**

### **Course Rating:**

If you are a member of a golf club where your course rating is high it is not unusual to play off a lesser handicap when you go to another course with a lower course rating. Your GA is your handicap and not the daily rating. NSWVGA would not like to see clubs introducing their own course rating. The player plays off their GA and not the course rating.

Appreciation certificate to be compiled for Barry Maloney

Moved on motion President Les Knox Seconded Clr Stu Dossetor - carried

Letter from player that played at the week of golf held at Yamba this year.

Secretary to reply to member that the TD for Yamba Week of golf did follow Policy two, but we are aware that there were some miscommunication issues.

As the only expression received to host the AVGU Nationals in 2027 was received from Group 3 Illawarra Secretary Steve Wicks it was decided to award them and inform group 3 that their submission to host the championships was successful.

Clr John Daley was concerned about sponsorship for the event. Richard Farrant answered that the group was waiting on approval of the submission and now that they have achieved approval they will cement the different levels of sponsorship. As there are different levels of sponsorship available it, which will be obtained and spread out over the 4 years of the sponsorship. The clubs involved will be asked to book their courses now and not in 4 years time.

Dick Farrant was asked if the Illawarra Vets to supply a press release for the NSWVGA website.

The committee thanked Richard for all his work in preparing the documents for EOI to host the AVGU Nationals 2024 Championship that went out to all group secretaries.

#### AVGU Nationals 2024

As Secretary Aileen is to attend the AVGU AGM in November, Secretary Aileen to make it perfectly clear as NSW have the highest percentage members base and as such NSWVGA will not be increasing their fees payable to the AVGU.

The change to the location and the date for the 2024 Nationals which will be held in South Australia in October it will now have an impact on NSWVGA Calendar ie the weeks of golf programmed for October so the clubs that will be effected are Leeton, Howlong, Deniliquin as well as Griffith. This will make it very difficult for NSWVGA to promote the National Championships.

A discussion took place on the amount of the honorarium that is paid to the secretary and president of the AVGU. Richard Farrant explained that he received from the AVGU \$1,500 which he then used to attend the Nationals and did not ask NSW to pay any expenses for him to attend and represent NSW

Secretary to contact the AVGU to inquire when the contract is to be signed and the contract fee of \$1000.00 to be paid to hold the event.

Clr Jim Shadlow joined the meeting.

Sponsorship Package : Complied by Clr John Dixon

A Silver package consisting of \$3000.00 for each of the 3 year package.

This was offered to Anthony Hunt Sporting Tours Sydney. This would enable them to be placed on the NSWVGA website and possibly a link to their home page for members of NSWVGA to click on every single day of the year for a period of 3 years.

Anthony has replied that they are very interested and will forward further details in the coming weeks to NSWVGA via Clr John Dixon.

Members register: Robert Trembath

Clr Robert Trembath has tried to contact all group secretaries. Some have not returned his calls.

We have quite a diverse range of people trying to access the members register.

Some group secretaries are using the new members register without any issues and are doing a really great job. Some are finding the register no longer accommodates all of what they were able to do previously.

Some group secretaries stated that have not used the new register and do not have a login as they do not do things on their computer.

A discussion took place on when and how the members register should be updated and the money collected.

The process that is currently being used one does not always match the other.

Clr John Daley suggested that at a week of golf then the rep for NSWVGA collects the \$5.00 fee to join NSWVGA and the Group secretaries collects the membership at club level.

Clr Peter Guy stated that once we are aware that a player has paid then the register is updated straight away. The money can be chased up later.

A sub committee consisting of Clr Penny Hudson, Clr Robert Trembath, Clr Peter Guy and Clr Dick van Buuren was formed to look at the way the members register is updated and the treasurer balanced the monies.

Group Secretary BWDVGC letter tabled and discussed. Secretary to reply to Gill informing her of the decision.

#### Stroke Play Championships-

John Dixon explained that the numbers were very low at this years Stroke event. He also stated that a number of players who had entered the stroke event, when they were made aware that there was a Stable ford event, they then decided to enter the the stable ford event. The Councillors present at the Championships stated that the facilities and the course were immaculate. They thought that it was a well run event and word will spread. The distances that a player has to travel is also a factor that players take into consideration when deciding to attending a event. However to encourage more players to support this event will need some further thought.

#### Mudgee Vets –

Mudgee Veterans email was tabled and discussed.

#### Sand green Championships Condition of play:

President stated that it was just a oversight, maybe the document was cut and pasted from a previous year. Conditions of play will need to be proof read prior to going on the web. This event is run in conjunction with Golf NSW. President Les suggested that maybe we could approach Golf NSW and remind them of our policy that players must be a member of NSWVGA to play in any of our events. He also suggested we may be able to program something with the Ladies in conjunction with Golf NSW for the sand green championships in next years program.

Prof Donald Kaiser – letter to Peter Guy was tabled and discussed.



Secretary to reply to Prof Kaiser

Murry River Challenge –

Clr Aileen put forward a proposal to promote weeks of golf with the AVGU after being approached by Alan Chrisp the President of the AVGU. Some councillors thought that it was not a good idea and did not see the point of it.

4BBB Championships:

To improve numbers at the 4BBB Championships does it have to be a stroke event?

Clr John Dixon suggested to increase player numbers attending the 4BBB event. That we change the 4BBB Championships to a 4 day event.

Clr Peter Taylor confirmed when the event was held at Glen Innes it was held over 4 days. The Championship was played as a stroke event.

A two-day Stroke event and a two-day Stableford event was recommended. Clr Jim Shadlow is to contact Tura Beach and let them know of the recommendation.

No motion was proposed or seconded.

Guyra Vets proposal for 3 day Tournament-

The trial was approved. Guyra Vets are working on a flyer for the week of golf and will send out a flyer to Clr Peter Taylor for consideration. Peter will then send it onto Clr John Daley for approval and placing onto the calendar for 2024

Wauchope Vets request to extend their week of golf.

Clr Peter Taylor has been approached by players to extend Wauchope WOG. Clr Peter then consulted with Wauchope Vets Committee to extend their week of golf to which they agreed. A tentative date has been set for 2024 to proceed Manning Valley. As this will leave a gap in the program Port Macquarie was approached to extend their 2 day event to 4 days but this was met with a hard No as club commitments would not allow this to happen.

Emerald Downs has been approached to see if they would like to do a 2 day event along with Port Macquarie.

Perpetual shields- Jim has ordered 12 perpetual shields

Councillor Stu Dossetor informed the committee he would not be seeking a position on the executive board at the AGM later this year.

Clr John Dixon inquired if the councillors could please advise him of the tournaments that they are attending next year.

A.G.M.paper work notice,

14.3 "A copy of the report and audited accounts shall be circulated to ordinary members with the notice calling the Annual General Meeting"

"16.2 Notice of any proposed alteration shall be forwarded to the Secretary in order to reach that person thirty days before the date of the General Meeting referred to in 16.1, specifying the nature of the proposed alteration"

Nomination forms for positions on the executive council are available on the web site.

Nomination forms from the groups for their voting at a AGM

A copy of the Agenda for the AGM will go out to all delegates, life members, Group Secretaries and councillors prior to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.17pm

Next meeting Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December which will be the AGM

Executive council meeting to follow AGM

#### Action Points

1. Secretary to reply to Jennie Overhall

2. Secretary to do a appreciation certificate for Barry Maloney, which Clr John Daley will present to Barry
3. Secretary to contact AVGU – contract to be signed and fee paid?
4. Jim Shadlow to contact Tura Beach and inform them of the changes made to the 4BBB Championships
5. Secretary to reply to Prof Kaiser