

Minutes Of Executive Meeting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June face to face at Beverly Park Golf Club  
Commencing at 9.00am

Meeting Opened at 9.02am

Attendees: Pres John Daley, Vice Pres John Dixon, Vice Pres Robert Trembath, Clr Gary King, Clr Peter Taylor, Clr Catherine Pautsch, Clr Jim Shadlow, Clr Steve Mitchell, Clr Charlie Swyer, Clr Penny Hudson, Life member Bob Coulson, Clr Aileen Williams

Apologies: Life member Richard Farrant, Clr Peter Guy

Obituaries: Marlyn Williams, Leongatha Golf Club.

Business Arising: Nil

Moved on motion to adopt previous NSWVGA Executive meeting minutes Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April Clr Gary King Seconded Clr Jim Shadlow- Carried

Action Points from last meeting :

1. Secretary to put on one drive the Grass roots template that Pres John Daley- completed
2. Councilor Steve Mitchell to investigate the possibility of a full week at Wauchope if Port Macquarie withdraw their two- day tournament. Due to Port Macquarie withdrawal, it will now be a full week held at Wauchope.
3. Reps when doing a bulk inquiry please send Peter a copy of your final report – completed.
4. Pres John Daley and Secretary along with Councilor Gary King a reply to Manuel Pro- completed.
5. Councilor Gary King to notify the insurance company that he will now be the contact for insurance. - completed
6. Secretary to send a reply letter to Kiama Seaside Week of Golf, also a thank you letter to Jamberoo for their past contribution to Veterans week of golf - completed
7. Secretary to send a reply letter to Brisbane Waters Group Secretary. completed
8. Councilors to send a list of their duties to all councilors. – work in progress
9. Pres John Daley and Secretary to send a reply letter to Moree tournament director Paul Wilde- Moree will now come back in for a week of golf. Due to Narrabri WOG clashing with the Narrabri show the program for 2026 will be, New England 13/4/ to 17/4 , Narrabri 20/4/ to 24/4 and then Moree 27/4/ to 1/5/2026. completed
10. President John Daley and Councilor Steve Mitchell to investigate the possible change of date for the Southern Highlands week of golf in 2027 to avoid the clash with the AVGU Nationals.- Southern Highlands have agreed to the change just for 2027. completed
11. Councilor Gary King to send out a procedure to be adopted at ecms. completed
12. Councilor Steve Mitchell to send out to all group secretaries a copy of the updated Policy 2. Clr Steve Mitchell is still to complete.

Correspondence In:

14.05.25 Email received from Kellie Jones on age requirements to join NSWVGA

18.04.25 Confirmation email received from Southern Highlands Week of Golf changed date for week of golf in 2027 due to clash with National Championships, but requesting the return back to normal date for 2028.

24.04.25 Email received from Les Knox regarding Golf Connect replacing Golf link

29.04.25 Request to move Narrabri WOG due to clash with the Narrabri show  
29.04.25 Email received from Secretary CTHGC Veterans Golfers, Joe Bula inquiring about who the NSWVGA representative will be at their WOG.  
30.04.25 Update contact information for Southern Riverina  
05.05.25 Information request received from Upper Hunter, Bruce Robinson regarding NSWVGA Medal requirements.  
08.05.25 Email received from Group 11 Secretary Peter Stephenson notifying clubs in his group of the Mixed 4BBB Championships.  
12.05.25 Email received from Group 12 Secretary Craig Keen , NSWVGA Mixed 4BBB Championships forwarded to all clubs in group 12  
12.05.25 Email received from Tony Rodgers notifying he is no longer the contact person for Kogarah Golf Club.  
13.05.25 Notification received from Brisbane Waters that they have put the NSWVGA Mixed 4BBB nomination pack on their website.  
24.05.25 Email received from Port Stephens Group Secretary requesting a change in the date for Forster/ Tuncurry WOG.  
25.05.25 Email received from Rob Bannon Sydney Vets request for the Grassroots program  
26.05.25 Grass Roots request received from Central West DVGA.  
26.05.25 Email received from Group 27 Secretary Marie Ciavarella request for Grass Roots program, Griffith VGA on the behalf of Leeton, Yenda and Narrandera  
27.05.25 Email received from SRVGA Secretary Rand Wilson regarding changes to the Grass Roots program.  
07.06.25 Email received from Lorraine Lambert TD Tura Beach 4BBB

#### Correspondence Out:

18.04.25 Reply email sent to Southern Highlands complying with their request to return to original dates after the National Championships in 2027.  
22.04.25 Email sent to Group Secretaries- Updated Grass Roots program requirements  
24.04.25 Copy of email received from Less Knox regarding Golf Connect sent to Councillors.  
29.04.25 Reply email sent to CTHGC as to who the NSWVGA representative will be attending their WOG.  
30.04.25 Updated contacts for Group 26 Southern Riverina sent to webmaster  
05.05.25 Copy of Policy 11 sent to Upper Hunter Bruce Robinson.  
08.05.25 Copy of NSWVGA Mixed 4BBB sent to all Groups- requesting them to send out to the clubs in their group.  
12.05.25 Email forwarded from Tony Rodgers to webmaster.  
14.05.25 Reply email sent to Kellie Jones  
27.05.25 Reply email sent to Rand Wilson, letter will be discussed at the NSWVGA meeting 11<sup>th</sup> June  
07.06.25 Reply email sent to Lorraine Lambert.

Moved on motion to adopt correspondence In and Out Clr Gary King Seconded Clr Jon Dixon- carried

### **Presidents Report June 2025**

#### **Overview**

NSW has been experiencing extreme wet weather along the east coast over the last six weeks which has had a devastating effect on veteran's golf at all levels. We have lost some weeks of

golf as well as the veterans events at club and group level. The damage that the rain events have had on townships along the coast and in some inland areas has been devastating. Our Secretary, Aileen, has sent out an email looking for ideas of support that NSWVGA can offer to our veteran golfers at this time with the replies varying as to how we can assist. This will be discussed further at our June meeting.

### ***Travel***

Over the last three months I have been able to travel to the South Coast, Blue Mountains, Central West, Riverina and Western areas participating at weeks of golf, Open days and weekly club events conducted by our veterans. The results have been mixed with the following evident as to how vets events are conducted, and we as the Executive are perceived.

Firstly, it is evident that the Groups are not aware of the support that is available to them at club and Group level. An example of this is the Groups do not conduct championships and are not aware that we have a policy in place that will support such events as Stableford and 4 ball stableford events. I have spoken to Group Secretaries and have sent them the policy concerned with this.

I was heartened to find that old prejudice between towns has diminished greatly and that veteran groups seem to be interacting far greater on a weekly basis than was the case in the past. An example of this is Forbes and Parkes now conduct a week about event between their vets clubs.

There were examples of veterans at club level who are “switched on” and providing an outlet of activity for the vets at their club and the district. They have their vets day as well as several working bees at their club each month which serves their golfing community well.

It was good to be able to meet Group and Club secretaries and for them to be able to put a face to the name. These volunteers are doing an exceptional job with veterans golf, but they need support from us the Executive to make their job as easy as possible.

### ***Half Yearly Face to Face***

This is an opportunity for us to review how we have performed over the first six months of the year and the areas that need to be improved. We need councillors to give some thought as to what is working and what is not and how we can improve on this.

### ***AVGA***

The A.V.G.A ( Australian Veterans Golf ASSOCIATION) a change of name from the half yearly ZOOM meeting just conducted. There were four main agenda items discussed, and the minutes of this meeting are available on the new Business One Drive under reports. This will also be an agenda item.

### ***A.V.G.A. Championships 2027***

There have been meetings at which our representative, Charlie Sawyer has represented NSWVGA. There will be a report tabled at our June meeting with a representative of the steering committee.

### ***Roles and Responsibilities.***

All councillors, when they came onto the Executive were aware that when they put their hand up, they would play a role on the Executive in some way. As a past President pointed out “when you come onto the Council you don’t come to warm a seat”. Just what this role is, has never been clearly defined. Penny has been asking Councillors to define their role. I am asking Councillors to put some effort into this and have some notes to discuss at the June meeting. There are some roles described in the policies, some in the Constitution but nothing that somebody who wants to know how we operate and maybe be part of the Executive can access. This will be an agenda item.

### ***Grass Roots***

A meeting of the Finance committee was held in late May to discuss the first applications for grass roots assistance. In all there were four submissions received. It must be stressed that the

grass roots are to assist veteran clubs throughout the state , not to replace infrastructure at golf clubs.

The outcomes of the meetings will be an agenda item at the June meeting.

As can be seen from this report there is plenty happening and the June meeting will a very busy one. This meeting will be held at Beverly Park Golf Club on Wednesday 11th June at 9.00am- those attending be aware it may be longer than normal so book your travel accordingly.

John Daley  
President  
NSWVGA

Moved on motion to accept the Presidents report by Pres John Daley Seconded Clr John Dixon

## **Treasurer's Report NSWVGA Executive Council Meeting 11 June 2025**

Finance Committee - Finance Committee have only had the one meeting to assess and award Grass Roots Payments, more immediately below.

Grass Roots – Only 4 submissions relating to Grass Roots to date, this is a disappointing take-up when it is considered NSWVGA comprises 30 Groups. Of the 4 submissions received 3 were applications and one was by way of feedback disagreeing with the changed direction of format. In dealing with the feedback first of all, I have sent an email on behalf of the Finance Committee acknowledging feedback and also to try to further explain rationale for the change. The email also included an invitation for the submission for a grant as the correspondent appeared to believe their Group would not qualify for the new Grants scheme. Of the remaining 3 submissions one has been approved, this being Southern Riverina a second being for Central West has been favourably received however additional feedback on the nature of a proposed Tournament(s?) has been sought, I am awaiting further information. The third submission being from Sydney Vets was declined as it failed to demonstrate any hardship, how a grant would benefit a struggling Veterans Golf Club or how any funding would further promote the increased participation in Veterans golf. The Sydney Vets have been invited to resubmit an application if they have a case under these broad guidelines. In short though I appeal to Tournament Directors to continue to speak for the Grants program at upcoming weeks of Golf. We also need to emphasise that the NSWVGA Grants are for the benefit of local Veterans clubs and not designed as financial assistance a Golf Club's broader membership to assist with Flood recovery or similar.

Members Register Reconciliation Following Teams meeting with Rob Trembath and Peter Guy t was agreed that the Treasurer would recommence attempt at reconciliation between Financial receipts and membership updates in the Members Register. This task will continue to be complicated by the crosse over between Financial Year, Membership year and the amendment to Membership year whereby affiliation fees received after 1 July spanning two Financial and Membership years.

YOY Financials – Income total is broadly in line with previous year to date. Note however that Sydney vets' group have overpaid affiliation fees to by \$3,005 in the changeover between Treasurers. Incoming Treasurer having identified overpayment of assuming the role. A refund of overpaid affiliation fees has been made in June. In terms of comparative Expenses, this year's Expenses ytd end May are \$7,847 above previous year. After adjusting (reducing} previous year expenses by non-recurring expense of Purchase \$1,574 of NSWVGA Laptop for use by Secretary, this would suggest an increase of \$9,421 in expense YOY. This increase includes payment of \$10,000 to the 2027 AVGU National Championships Committee recorded under sponsorships.

Other Matters – Efforts to add Peter Taylor to Bendigo bank continue with previous paperwork having been misplaced within Bendigo Bank. Treasurers Duties, this document continues to be a work in progress, I anticipate it will be complete by end of June. Teams meeting protocol this document will be loaded onto share drive for review, comment and suggested additions.

New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association									
YTD FINANCIAL STATEMENT									
1-Oct-24 to 31-May-25									
PAYMENTS		60,928.95	OPENING BALANCE as at 1.10.2024		93,940.43				
BANK BALANCE		109,113.18	As per Audit Certificate						
as detailed below			INCOME		76,101.70				
TOTALS		170,042.13			170,042.13				
BALANCE AS PER BANK STATEMENT ATTACHED AS AT:-					30/04/2025 CBA	26,696.13			
LESS O/S (CHEQUES) / DEPOSITS					31/03/2025 Bendigo	59,754.07			
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit matures 12/2/2025 Rate 4.75%						22,662.98			
ACTUAL BANK BALANCE						109,113.18			
ASSET REGISTER									
Purchased March 2023	Microsoft Office Home & Student 2021POSA				S/N ....100009	128.24			
Purchased Nov 23	HP Laptop S/N 5CD312QFBW					1,574.00			
EXPENSES									
DESCRIPTION	YTD 2025	2024 year	INCOME			YTD 2025	2024 year		
Administration Fees	926.92	4,145.12	Affiliation Fees			73,707.00	83,269.00		
Affiliation fees	2,500.00	2,500.00	WOG Player Rego Fees			1,100.00	2,058.00		
Audit Fees	-	330.00	Interest			1,139.70	238.82		
Donations	-		Sponsorship			-	1,000.00		
Insurances	13,203.43	12,163.87	Administration Income			-			
Postage Print & Stat	974.40	641.42	Unidentified Deposits			25.00	26.00		
Sponsorship	12,450.00	8,440.00	Book Sales			-			
Vouchers	11,270.00	18,640.00	Sale of Vouchers			-	370.00		
Trav Exes Meetings	5,528.57	6,937.17	Journal			130.00	396.00		
Miscellaneous Travel Exes	-	579.78	Insurance Contribution			-	207.90		
Trophies, Shields & Pres Folders	2,874.63	3,254.07							
Website	1,966.00	6,875.00							
Grassroots 2024 Acct code 10	200.00								
Grants	-		TOTAL INCOME			76,101.70	87,565.72		
WOG Travel Subsidy	8,750.00	6,300.00							
Honorariums	-	2,700.00							
Meetings Lunch & Cabs	255.00	557.06							
HP Laptop	-								
Journal	30.00	396.00							
TOTAL PAYMENTS	60,928.95	74,459.49							
Bank Statements Attached									
					CBA	26,696.13			
					Bendigo	59,754.07			
						86,450.20			

New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association							
Details of year to date Income & expenses							
		1/10/2024	to	31/05/2025			
PAYMENTS				INCOME			
DESCRIPTION		YTD	Prev YTD	DESCRIPTION	YTD	Prev YTD	
Administration fees		926.92	969.36	Affiliation Fees Group 1	192.00	285.00	
Affiliation Fees		2,500.00	2,500.00	Affiliation Fees Group 2	7,105.00	7,190.00	
Audit Fees		-	352.00	Affiliation Fees Group 3	9,275.00	8,290.00	
Donations		-		Affiliation Fees Group 4	7,605.00	4,175.00	
Insurances		13,203.43	12,869.84	Affiliation Fees Group 5	-	-	
Postage Printing & Stationery		974.40	476.34	Affiliation Fees Group 6	2,060.00	2,080.00	
Sponsorship		12,450.00	4,500.00	Affiliation Fees Group 7	3,175.00	3,195.00	
Vouchers		11,270.00	11,550.00	Affiliation Fees Group 8	980.00	925.00	
		-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 9	2,240.00	2,200.00	
Misc Travel		-		Affiliation Fees Group 10	980.00	1,040.00	
		-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 11	2,635.00	1,775.00	
Council Meeting Tx Swyer	Swyer	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 12	6,045.00	3,555.00	
Council Meeting Tx Daley	Daley	938.81	388.73	Affiliation Fees Group 13	-	1,145.00	
Council Meeting Tx Knox	Knox	-	85.48	Affiliation Fees Group 14	10,000.00	10,375.00	
Council Meeting Tx Williams	Williams	1,114.53	393.50	Affiliation Fees Group 15	2,505.00	3,250.00	
Council Meeting Tx King	King	659.25	695.56	Affiliation Fees Group 16	2,300.00	2,340.00	
Council Meeting Tx Trembath	Trembath	191.51	486.00	Affiliation Fees Group 17	-	480.00	
Council Meeting Tx Mitchell	Mitchell	72.00	-	Affiliation Fees Group 18	220.00	265.00	
Council Meeting Tx Taylor	Taylor	661.32	308.10	Affiliation Fees Group 19	-	275.00	
Council Meeting Tx Guy	Guy	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 20	2,225.00	2,365.00	
Council Meeting Tx Hudson	Hudson	628.13	580.79	Affiliation Fees Group 21	735.00	785.00	
Council Meeting Tx Shadlow	Shadlow	823.02	809.25	Affiliation Fees Group 22	-	925.00	
Council Meeting Tx Dixon	Dixon	440.00	950.38	Affiliation Fees Group 23	1,945.00	2,665.00	
Council Meeting Tx Former Councillors			-	NO Group 24	-	-	
Council Meeting Tx TOTAL	TOTAL	5,528.57	4,697.79	Affiliation Fees Group 25	670.00	130.00	
				Affiliation Fees Group 26	905.00	815.00	
Trophies Shields & Presentation Folders		2,874.63	2,579.25	Affiliation Fees Group 27	1,445.00	2,620.00	
Website		1,966.00	3,030.20	Affiliation Fees Group 28	1,010.00	1,085.00	
			-	Affiliation Fees Group 29	2,145.00	2,215.00	
Grassroots 2024		200.00	-	Affiliation Fees Group 30	1,000.00	1,135.00	
			-	Affiliation Fees Group 31	900.00	1,010.00	
Grants for Cancelled WOG		-	-	No Group 32	-	-	
Honorariums		-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 33	-	245.00	
				Directly Affiliated Clubs	3,410.00	3,575.00	
				Affiliation Fees TOTAL	73,707.00	72,410.00	
WOG Travel Subsidy Swyer	Swyer	300.00	-	WOG Player Registration Fees			
WOG Travel Subsidy Daley	Daley	600.00	-	Deniliquin	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Pautsch	Pautsch	1,450.00	300.00	Dubbo	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Williams	Williams	1,400.00	2,600.00	Great lakes	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy King	King	-	-	Kew	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Trembath	Trembath	-		Leeton	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Mitchell	Mitchell	1,200.00	300.00	Manning Valley	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Taylor	Taylor	1,350.00	1,650.00	Port Stephens	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Guy	Guy	-	-	Seaside Valley Kiama	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Hudson	Hudson	1,350.00	1,100.00	Silver City	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Shadlow	Shadlow	800.00	1,300.00	Southern highlands	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Dixon	Dixon	300.00		Tenterfield	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy Former Councillors			-	Griffith	-	-	
WOG Travel Subsidy TOTAL	TOTAL	8,750.00	7,250.00	Young WOG	-	-	
				WoG Sign ups	1,100.00	1,375.00	
Meetings Lunch & Cabs		255.00	367.88				
HP Laptop		-	1,574.00	WOG Player Registration Fees TOTAL	1,100.00	1,375.00	
Journal		30.00	365.00				
TOTAL PAYMENTS		60,928.95	53,081.66	Interest	1,139.70	1,739.03	
				Sponsorship	-	800.00	
				Administration Income	-	-	
				Unidentified Deposits	25.00	85.00	
				Book Sales	-	-	
				Journal	130.00	671.00	
				Sale of Vouchers	-	-	
				Insurance Contribution	-	-	
				TOTAL INCOME	76,101.70	77,080.03	



GARY ROGER KING

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NSWVGA

Account title THE NEW SOUTH WALES  
VETERAN GOLFERS'  
BSB 633 000  
Account number [REDACTED]  
Account opening date October 29, 2021

Proof of Account

Bendigo Bank is pleased to confirm your account details  
and the following transactions:

**\$59,754.07**  
Current balance

Transactions from 31/05/2025 - 31/05/2025

This Proof of Account was generated by Bendigo e-banking on June 02, 2025 at 09:12am

Date	Transaction	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
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Moved on motion to accept the treasurer report Clr Gary King Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch carried

## Program Co-Ordinator's June Report 2025

Since my last report, several changes have been implemented:

- **Port Macquarie** has cancelled its Week of Golf (WOG) for 2025 and withdrawn from all NSWVGA events going forward. Consequently, **Wauchope** will be rescheduled to take Port Macquarie's spot from September 7th – 11th, 2026.
- Due to inclement weather conditions during our coastal leg, **Gloucester** and **Muree** had to cancel their events because their courses were unplayable. Instead of canceling, Gloucester has decided to reschedule to June 30th, with the hope that their course will have dried out by then.
- **Forster-Tuncurry** proceeded with their WOG despite adverse weather conditions. However, following the closure of Tuncurry course on Tuesday and further rain overnight (Rain Bomb) the Week of Golf was eventually cancelled. Prizes won by participants on Monday will be honoured.
- **Moree** will rejoin the NSWVGA after a 12-month hiatus, scheduled from April 27th – May 1st, 2026.

The rollout for 2025 will be completed by the meeting on Wednesday, June 11th.

Draft proposals and policy updates for 2026 will commence this week via email.

Pres John Daley stated that the 2027 draft copy of the program is to be sent out to the Tournament directors.

Moved on motion to accept the Program Coordinator report Clr Steve Mitchell Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch. Carried

## **NSWVGA TECHNICAL REPORT – JUN 25**

### **EMAIL ADDRESSES**

Everyone is asked to send all items related to the website – tournament entry documents, news items, tournament results, contact detail changes, etc – to [webmaster@nswvga.com.au](mailto:webmaster@nswvga.com.au) and not to any individual email address. This way these will get to the correct person to handle them.

Where “SPAM” is shown in the subject of an email, this will have been put in by the recipient's email provider. If you forward or reply to an email that was received with “SPAM” in the subject, edit the subject to remove the “SPAM before sending it.

The forwarding is also becoming more unreliable, sometimes it works correctly and other times not.

The situation is becoming more critical that we must find a solution.

We think we may have found an alternative method of re-direction, and Peter will test this using his personal domain on google and set up automatic forwarding between his different email accounts. If this option works, we will move our domain registration and re-direction away from Intercomp.

In the mean time, Catherine is maintaining a master list of email addresses and anyone who wants to send emails to these categories should get the up-to-date list from Catherine each time. Please do not use privately maintained lists.

### **File sharing – Microsoft OneDrive**

A Microsoft Basic Business package has now been bought. A new shared Onedrive has been set up with the agreed folder structure and access levels. The business package proved to be more complex than the personal package in setup.

Every councillor will have view access throughout the NSWVGA OneDrive shared files. All Councillors will have edit access to folders as required for their duties.

Rolling out the OneDrive remotely has been a challenge and most councillors have the correct access. There are a few that still need connecting and hopefully this will be done at the council meeting.

When populating OneDrive the agreed file naming conventions and procedures should be used. Folders need to be populated with historical data where relevant.

As some internet connections are slow it may take a few minutes for OneDrive to update files so please be aware when using it in the future.

Catherine Pautsch is the main administrator with Peter Guy as backup.

### **Meeting software - Microsoft Teams**

The new Teams App has a feature which allows a meeting to be recorded and transcribed. This was tested by the Secretary Aileen, President John and Catherine Pautsch and worked well. It will be used for Council Teams meetings.

### **Public website**

The two areas News and Results will be merged but this will take some time.

Our website will not accept any documents or pictures over 5Mb, and even items this large are difficult to manage. It is not necessary to have high resolution for a website – low to medium resolution is quite adequate. All contributors are asked to try and keep each document or picture to 1Mb or less.

### **Membership Register**

When a user finds a GL number that needs to be changed for any reason or deleted, they must send the full details to [membreg@nswvga.com.au](mailto:membreg@nswvga.com.au). Please do not just add the member again with the new number – this results in duplicate records which then need correcting.

Up till now our clubs table has been created from a table downloaded from Golf Australia, The webpage has disappeared and we have had difficulty in getting an official up to date version. We are trying to progress this through other contacts. We are still in discussions on what is the best way to proceed with development of additional functions, taking account both costs and providing a good basis for future changes. Additional functions are required to make it easier for administrators to correct errors.

We have a spreadsheet to produce lists by Affiliation Group or by Club if required by Group Secretaries.

Catherine Pautsch

Peter Guy

8 June 25

Moved on motion to accept the technical report Clr Catherine Pautsch Seconded Clr John Dixon- carried

### **Progress report for 2027 AVGU Championship**

Richard Farrant sent a copy of a progress report to the NSWVGA Secretary which was passed onto all Councillors.

As Richard was not able to be present at this ecm meeting Clr Charlie Swyer as the representative for NSWVGA at the Australian Veteran Golfers Championship 2027 Association Inc gave an update on the progress of the championship.

Clr Charlie Swyer requested and produced copies of the flyer of the Championship for those Councillors attending NSWVGA events and the AVGU Championships at Darwin take copies of the flyer for the 2027 Championship to promote it.

It was suggested that it may be possible to hold the welcome and registration at the same place and time on the Sunday prior to the event.

Clr Gary King requested that a copy of a projected budget be produced to NSWVGA for the 2027 Championship.

Moved on motion to accept the 2027 Championship report Clr Charlie Swyer Seconded Clr Steve Mitchell. - carried

## General Business:

Pres John Daley gave a verbal report on the AVGU delegate meeting.

The AVGU requested to change their name to AVGA (Australian Veteran Golfers Association) when registering the association in Western Australia.

Life member Bob Coulson informed the meeting of the issues that the AVGU might experience when trying to register the new name, as the Australian Veteran Golfers Association. This name was registered to another golfing group that travelled the world playing golf. Pres John Daley will inform the AVGU Secretary of this information. The other suggestions that were made was for all the states to come under one group for insurance, logo and a team event competition separate to the National Championships.

Insurance- was proposed and defeated.

National Logo: All the states will continue to use their own logo, but will also promote that we are all a member of the AVGU.

The team event:

Each state would provide a team of players to compete against each other. This was discussed at length but in the current format, rejected. Clr Robert Trembath put forward a suggestion that as there is currently a Championship played by all states each year. Then a team from each state could play concurrently along with the Championship. This will be discussed once again when the AVGU delegates meet at the AGM in Darwin later this year.

Professional indemnity Insurance- Clr Gary King enquired as to why the AVGU would require professional indemnity Insurance. The only meeting that the delegates hold face to face is once a year at the AGM where they are covered under that state's insurance. NSWVGA are not in favour of a national professional indemnity insurance.

Group Secretary Discussion points forum:

Some Group secretaries would like to be able to make more changes in the members register. Group secretaries would like to be able to get a list of members in each of the clubs in their groups.

Group secretaries would also like to be able to change member golf link numbers. As a lot of incorrect data that was carried over from the old members register has been filtered out. It was then felt to give multiple access to behind the scenes of the members register would then recreate some of the previous issues. If group secretaries need to make any data changes, then they can send the changes that they want made to the members register into and they will make the changes on their behalf. Email address is [membreg@nswvga.com.au](mailto:membreg@nswvga.com.au)

Intercom Computing Systems:

As we are experiencing some issues with councillors not all receiving emails when a bulk email is redirected behind the scenes. ([councillors@nswvga.com.au](mailto:councillors@nswvga.com.au)).

Clr Catherine enquired do we continue to use councillors @nswvga.com or do we go back to using the councillors individual email address. It was decided for councillor's to use the Councillor individual email address.

Clr Catherine will send out to all councillors an updated email address list of each of our email address to use.

#### Golf Connect:

Clr Gary King will continue to contact Golf Australia to get information on the changes that are being made to golf link. This could have a bearing on how a member is registered in our members register.

#### Forster /Tuncurry:

Forster/Tuncurry requested to change their WOG date in the program, 2026 (13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> July) As this year's week was badly affected by the weather.

Players entered for the tournament via Google golf which crashed. This caused all player entries and player information to be lost.

There were concerns with the weather which was relayed to management but Clr Peter Taylor was assured on the Thursday prior to the event that the week would go ahead only at Tuncurry as Forster course was closed. Due to the inclement weather on Monday morning only nine holes was able to be played and the rest of the week was then cancelled.

It was requested by management for the players to pass on their information so that a 3-day golf and presentation night be refunded. There was a strong feeling that the week of golf could have been cancelled a lot earlier prior to the event.

Their request to move their WOG to July would be approved but a list of guidelines would be provided.

#### Refunds

Consideration of weather ,

Early notification if the event is to be cancelled.

#### Uralla: Letter from Uralla Vets tabled

Tournament directors and or management of clubs are to follow the NSWVGA guidelines when preparing to host a week of golf.

When a week of golf is held it can generate income for the club and town.

Pres John Daley and Secretary Aileen Williams will compose a reply letter to address this and remind management that there are guidelines to be followed when hosting a week of golf.

#### Grassroots Scheme:

SRVGA secretary letter tabled. A reply email was sent to Rand Wilson outlining the requirements to be able to apply for the program.

Southern Riverina was informed that they are able to reapply for the Grassroots program if they would like to at any time now or in the future.

A submission was received from Western Riverina for Leeton, Yenda and Narrandera Vets. This will assist them to reinvent themselves.

This was approved and \$250.00 was granted for Leeton, Yenda and Narrandera vets. A report will be sent back to NSWVGA on how the funds were used.

A submission was received from Sydney Vets but this did not meet the requirements for the Grass roots program, so their request was rejected.

A submission Central West Vets was received and they were asked to resubmit their submission with more information so it can be reassessed .The finance committee will meet after this meeting to assess the new submission.

#### Golf along the Murray:

As some clubs that have been contacted along the Murray to hold a week in March have not been able to comply Clr Jim Shadlow will continue to contact other clubs.

#### Policies:

Policy 12- Grassroots Scheme and application form

Moved on motion to adopt Clr Penny Hudson Seconded Vice Pres Robert Trembath- carried

Policy 6- Conduct of NSWVGA Sandgreen Championships-

- a. 36-hole Stroke Championship Men and Ladies
- b. 36-hole 4BBB Championship Men and Ladies
- c. 36-hole Mixed 4BBB Championship

NSWVGA will cover the trophies for the 36-hole winner and Runner Up. But the local club will be responsible for the daily prizes.

Policy 10- Conduct of NSWVGA Mixed Better Ball Championships-

- a.36-hole Stableford Championship Men and Ladies
- b.36-hole 4BBB Championship Men and Ladies
- c.36-hole Mixed 4BBB Championship

NSWVGA will cover the trophies for the 36-hole winner and Runner Up. But the local club will be responsible for the daily prizes. There needs to be 20 pairs entered for the event to proceed. The minor changes will be made and ratified at the next meeting.

Secretary to contact Tura Beach and inform them of the change in the format to Stableford and the requirements of 20 pairs for the tournament to proceed. Also, to invite them the opportunity to withdraw from this year's tournament due to lack of numbers without prejudice.

Nomination Packs for WOG

Will now be scrutinised by Clr Steve Mitchell and Clr Penny Hudson prior to Clr Catherine Pautsch placing them on the program.

Procedure to follow for meetings:

Councillors that do a report will place their reports onto one drive, Secretary will put the agenda and associated paper work for meetings onto one drive and then send an email to councillors informing them that the information is there.

Clr Gary King urged everyone to promote the Grassroots program. NSWVGA reps attending at weeks of golf to highlight. NSWVGA are trying to give back to members. One way is that NSWVGA is giving back to members that may not attend weeks of golf , Group secretaries are able to apply for the Grass Roots program. This we hope will be one way to help those Veteran clubs that are experiencing difficulties.

Peter Taylor is to be added as a signatory to NSWVGA accounts at Bendigo back. Clr Aileen Williams will start the process once again at Albury and then notify Pres John Daley and Clr Peter Taylor so they can then sign their forms at their branches to complete the process.

Meeting closed at 12.15

Next meeting will be a Zoom meeting Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August commencing at 9.00am

Action Points:

1. Clr Catherine Pautsch to put the Grass roots program on the one drive
2. Councillors are to resend their list of duties to Clr Pautsch to be placed on the one drive
3. Clr Catherine Pautsch to place councillor list of duties to be placed on one drive
4. Clr Gary King to follow up how the golf link number changes will affect how we record a member's club in the members register
5. Clr Catherine Pautsch to send out to all councillors a list of councillor's email addresses.
6. Clr Charlie Swyer to give Clr Gary King a copy of the proposed budget for the AVGU 2027 Championships
7. Pres John Daley to inform the AVGU of the concerns that Bob Coulson and Richard Farrant have in regard to the registration of the name change for the AVGU.
8. Clr Peter Guy to investigate the cost on introducing a new section where the group secretary can get a list of members for each of the clubs in their group.
9. Clr Robert Trembath to check if a reply letter from the group secretary's forum was sent out to the group secretaries, what the outcome was and a copy to be sent to all councillors
10. Secretary to reply to Dave Flatt email- changing the Forster/Tuncurry
11. Secretary to send appreciation certificate to Port Macquarie Vets in appreciation to the support given to NSWVGA.
12. Secretary to send a letter to Forster/Tuncurry management regarding change in date and weather consideration.
13. Secretary to send a letter to Tura Beach regarding requirements to hold a championship (40 players)
14. Clr Catherine Pautsch to go back over the last 12 months results that are not under news to be placed under the heading News and Results.
15. Clr Steve Mitchell to do a draft program for 2027 and send a draft copy out to Tournament Directors