

Minutes Of Executive Meeting Wednesday 4th February 2026, via teams

Commencing at 9.00am

Meeting Opened at 9.01 am

Attendees: President John Daley, Vice Pres Robert Trembath, Clr Peter Guy, Clr Jim Shadlow, Clr Penny Hudson, Clr Catherine Pautsch, Clr Rob Orchard, Clr Ashley Bullock, Clr John Knox, Steve Wicks and Clr Aileen Williams

Apologies: Vice President Peter Taylor, Treasure Gary King,

Obituaries: David Brownsmit Waratah Vets and Craig Hull Glen Innes

Minutes of previous NSWVGA Executive meeting Wednesday 3rd December 2025, as previously circulated.

Business Arising: Nil

Move on motion to adopt previous NSWVGA Executive meeting minutes Wednesday 3rd December, 2025

Clr Peter Guy Seconded Clr Jim Shadlow- carried

Action Points from last meeting:

Action Points:

1. Clr Catherine Pautsch will add the clubs open days to the NSWVGA website (Groups and Clubs), Clr Catherine will contact the group Secretaries to inquire if they would like to have their open day for the clubs in their group listed on the website.- On going
2. Secretary Aileen Williams to arrange a venue for the face -to- face meetings. On going

Correspondence In:

03.02.26 Email received from Nyngan Golf Club EOI Sandgreen 4 BBB Championships

30.1.26 Membership enquiry received from Andrew Herbert

30.01.26 Reply email received from Group8 Secretary on contact details for Hunter Valley

28.1.26 Email received from Richard Doyle- Grass roots

22.01.26 Jen Richardson, Trangie Golf Club feedback on grass roots funding

21.01.26 Email received from Christina Lucas is not aware as to why she was asked to email me

20.1.26 Members list received from Manul Pro asking me to update the members register

18.01.26 Change of contact details for Dungog Vets

15.01.26 Reply to Group Secretary questionnaire received Group 7 Secretary Bruce Jacob

15.01.26 Report received from Peter Tay VP NSWVGA on Woodburn/Evans Heads Grassroots Grant

15.01.26 Email received from Shortland Water enquiring on members been financial status

14.01.26 Reply to GS questionnaire received from Group 31 Norm McInnes

14.01.26 List of Tumut members received from Christina Lucas Tumut Golf Club

14.01.26 Email received from Ian Brown Group 2

14.01.26 Cancellation of Uralla week of Golf

12.01.26 Trial teams meeting invitation sent to Group 20 Secretary Judy Jordan

12.1.26 List of members received from Paul Lindeman Assistant Treasurer Maitland Veteran Golfers

12.1.26 Email received from Bruce Grime regarding membership

09.1.26 Enquiry on the awarding of NSWVGA prizes at WOG Annette Beaumont

09.1.26 Request for NSWVGA Medal Group 26 Secretary Rand Wilson

09.01.26 Reply email received from Group 10 Secretary on GS Forum

08.1.26 Vicki Barraclough inquired if their vets membership was current or not

08.01.26 Membership enquiry received from Trish Freeman

06.01.26 Email requesting for Week of golf changes and flyer approved for Taree

05.01.26 Group Secretary Forum letter, Questionnaire and running sheet

01.01.26 Email received from Group 1 Secretary notify me that Karen Enright has contact all the clubs in her group and introduced herself and promoting what the benefits that are available to clubs who join NSWVGA

24.11.25 Request received to move Far South Coast Week of Golf to Feb

24.11.26 Request received from Group 1 Secretary for the first 5 digits of the clubs in her group

Correspondence Out:

30.1.26 Reply email sent to Andrew Herbert

30.1.26 Email sent to Group 8 Secretary – contact details for Hunter Valley

16.01.26 Email sent to Clr Penny enquiring to enquire about Vets and Non Vets participating in the Gala Day at Taree

14.01.26 Email sent to Tumut Golf Club enquiring as to why I was receiving the members list

14.01.26 Email sent to Penny regarding Uralla cancellation week of golf

09.1.26 Reply email sent to Annette Beaumont – Awarding of prizes

09.01.26 Notification for NSWVGA Medal sent to Peter Taylor and Gary King

08.01.26 Reply email to Vicki Barraclough(Uralla) both she and husband are not financial

08.1.26 Reply email sent to Trish Freeman

05.01.26 Group Secretary Forum paperwork sent to all Group Secretaries

05.01.26 Group secretaries forum paper work sent to councillors

24.11.26 List of clubs and club information sent to Group 1 Secretary Karen Enright

Moved on motion to adopt correspondence in and out Clr Peter Guy Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch - carried

Reports:

Presidents Report February 2026 NSWVGA Inc

Overview.

Welcome all veteran golfers to 2026. This will be an exciting year and a year where there will be changes to the way we operate and this will better serve Veteran golfers throughout NSW.

Group Secretaries Forum

This was held in January 2026. My thanks to the members of the Executive for their help, involvement and feedback from the forums. My thanks to Vice Presidents Peter Taylor and Rob Trembath for their continued work behind the scenes to collate all the feedback information and formulate the document outlining the Group Secretaries recommendations so as we can now see what will be needed to move forward in 2026.

This will involve updating the Home Page on our public website, and providing a link to groups outlining Open Days, revamping the Members Register to include more pertinent information, revamping Policies to include clearer definitions and descriptions .

There will be a need for closer liaison between councillors and Group Secretaries which will include a further Forum later in the year.

There has been a suggestion that NSWVGA host an event that will include veteran clubs in the form of a sponsored Open Day. The appropriate access to this will be through the “Grass Roots” process

Groups and Veteran Clubs

We now have a situation where we have two Groups with one vets club and one Group with two vets clubs. There is also an imbalance of clubs and distances to be travelled in some cases . This also needs to be looked at with a view of balancing some Groups. This will be discussed at next Wednesdays meeting.

Sponsorship.

For some time, there has been nothing done to chase sponsorship for NSWVGA. There was sponsorship from Caravan companies and Golf Equipment outlets, but this has also lapsed. This needs to be revisited by the Executive and a plan devised to look into this.

Value for Your \$5 Membership

This is one of the most discussed point at the end of last year. It has come to light that there are Veteran clubs that are not registering all veterans rather unless the veteran plays a week of golf nothing is forwarded to NSWVGA for membership. It must be stressed at every opportunity that to participate in any veterans event whether at club, Group or State level you need to be a member of NSWVGA.

We as Councillors have to reinforce the benefits of joining NSWVGA, not for just weeks of golf but the benefits at Club and Group level. Look at the home page of the public website for guidance on this matter.

New Executive Members

A big welcome to our new members of the Executive, namely Rob Orchard, John Knox and Ashly Bullock. As they ease into their roles as councillors I look to the more senior and experienced councillors to offer support and direction to the newbies.

Life Member John Dixon has left the Board and will be missed but he is only a phone call away if anyone needs information or to call on his experience.

Weeks of Golf

Once again, our Program Co Ordinator Penny Hudson has been hard at work with the nomination packs coming in for this year's program. We have all but one nomination pack on the website at last check. Peter T is looking for a rep at the Matchplay.

We have had little response for the Sand Greens Championship week but have had some lukewarm enquiries that both Aileen and I will follow up.

AVGA 2027

This year will see greater movement towards the presentation of the AVGA Championships in November 2027. Dick Farrant and his committee have this well under control and will report their progress at our February Executive meeting.

Conclusion

A big year ahead which will have its challenges but that's why we get the big bucks so if we pull together as a team, we will achieve our goals which are:

- 1 To better look after our GS's and vets clubs.
- 2 Provide worthwhile and workable systems that are simple and easy to follow for all.
- 3 Communication both ways.
- 4 Meet new veterans and renew old vets friendships and enjoy Vets golf.

John Daley
President
NSWVGA Inc

President John Daley moved to adopt the President Report Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch- Carried

Treasurer's Report NSWVGA Executive Council Meeting 4 February 2026

Outstanding Action Items – Contact Richard Farrant to arrange Zoom meeting to arrange receipt of more up to date budget. Follow up was not necessary as Richard Farrant had indicated that a new Budget would be received in January. This one-page extract, in pdf format, was received on 25 January. I have acknowledged receipt and advised that given the extract refers to separate budget sheets I am unable to draw any conclusions in the absence of the separate budget sheets which relate to the Presentation evening at HARS and a separate budget for Trophies during the Championships. I have also acknowledged that I appreciate that at this stage the budgets can only be formative based on estimates in terms of total participants, sponsorships (still to be committed to by any potential sponsors) and associated income and expense items. The only conclusions we can draw at this stage is that the committee is actively pursuing all agreements for course bookings, venue bookings, sponsorships etc as well as attempting to project other Income and Expense lines. Regrettably, I have been unable to locate the Committee's reports in the NSWVGA share drive as I do recall several other key matters have been reported on at the December EC meeting.

Finance Committee /Grass Roots- Following Group Secretary forums it is increasing apparent that an urgent review of the structure and quanta of Grass Roots allocations is necessary. Councillors will also have received feedback and observations from several sources including some referred to in the inward correspondence. I will circulate my thoughts on this separately by email as they are only personal views and reflections, I do not believe it is appropriate to include in the meetings as representative of the Council's position which needs to be determined as a matter of urgency and effectively communicated to members.

Members Register Reconciliation - As indicated on several occasions last year the Members Register Reconciliation process has been paused for some time pending outstanding Members Register changes, the latest of which is to deal with transition from Golf Link to Golf Australia Connect and the introduction of a Golfld which travels with a golfer for life as she/he moves from club to club. Regrettably, I remain frustrated by a lack of response from my contact at Golf Australia in relation to my request for a club listing prior the retirement of the Golflink system. This list has been requested by Peter Guy late last year and relayed to Golf Australia. In the absence of any listing though we do still need to be moving on a solution to creating club fields (both home club and Veterans club) as agreed in Teams meeting of 26 November 2025. I have heard on numerous occasions now that we should simply adopt the "old" 5-digit prefix applicable to clubs as a means of allocating club numbers to Members. This club identifier would then still need to be updated manually as members transfer between clubs in the future. The responsibility for the change in this field would seem more suitably allocated to the receiving club for example Gary King currently a member at Inverell for the purposes of this example would have 21708 allocated under a new Home Club and in my simplified example, Veterans Club. If Gary King then moved to Broken Hill, the Group or club Secretary would need to change to Home Club and Veteran Club field to 20730. One problem with this is the potential for change to be overlooked as the member moves. Setting potential pitfalls aside for the moment though if we were to adopt this type of approach to recording Home and Veterans clubs it does have the advantage of only requiring the addition of new Home Club identifiers as new clubs are constructed and commence play. On the other side where clubs unfortunately might cease operation then the transfers would need to be completed by the receiving clubs in terms of my simplified example using Gary King above.

YOY Financials – 31 January report is attached, please note significant amount of Journal entries on both Income and Expense. Whilst these entries tend to inflate our turnover results they relate to two significant items. The first simply reflecting the transfer of funds between the Association accounts from the CBA to Bendigo account. For some years now the Association has adopted the practice of using the CBA account for receipt of affiliation fees, sponsorships etc and paying out expenses from the Bendigo account. The main reason for this convoluted approach has been the inability of the CBA online banking platform to cater for the need to have two signatories confirm transactions. The second journal entry in both income and expenses relate to the pass through of a sponsorship of \$3000 from the local council to the Matchplay committee. It was a requirement of the council that the funds be paid to the NSWVGA as an incorporated body. This is apparently a requirement of local government authorities in NSW and has previously occurred at Griffith when the local council provided sponsorship to Griffith committee as sponsorship of Week of Golf. After adjusting for these significant items, overall Income and Expenses YTD are \$39,719.65 and \$23767.81 compared to previous ytd for the same period of Income \$40,584.49 and Expenses of \$21,405.48. The slight comparative increase in Expenses relates to the carry forward of Grass Roots sponsorships awarded in the 2025 FY totalling \$2,250. These sponsorships in turn were for Central West \$750; Paterson Golf Club \$250; Kyogle Golf Club \$250; Woodburn Golf Club \$250; Evans Head Golf Club \$250; Yenda Golf Club \$250 and Leeton Golf Club \$250. Given recent queries regarding value being provided to no travelling members I would commend the committee to strongly publicise these payments in addition to the amount of \$950 recorded in last year's results.

Other Matters – Catherine Pautsch has been added to Bendigo Bank as an authorised signatory. This further strengthens any redundancy issue on the Financial Team due to unforeseen illness or similar. After I return from Tasmania in late February, I will begin removing John Dixon as an authorised signatory. Additionally, I will again explore options for CBA ability to meet our dual signatory requirement through online platforms. The hope would be that we could maintain the CBA account as it has more favourable interest rates than the Bendigo account. Finally, after much reflection I have decided to announce my intention not to seek re-election as NSWVGA Treasurer at the end of the year. My reasons for this are several and I will not bore you with each of them.

New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association

YTD FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1-Oct-25 to 30-Sep-26

PAYMENTS	71,767.81	OPENING BALANCE as at 1.10.2025 As per Audit Certificate	94,654.54
BANK BALANCE as detailed below	110,606.38	INCOME	87,719.65
TOTALS	182,374.19		182,374.19

BALANCE AS PER BANK STATEMENT ATTACHED AS AT:-	31/01/2026 CBA	29,899.08
LESS O/S (CHEQUES) / DEPOSITS	31/01/2026 Bendigo	58,044.32
	Bendigo Bank Term Deposit matures 12/2/2026 Rate 4.75%	22,662.98

ACTUAL BANK BALANCE		110,606.38
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ASSET REGISTER			
Purchased March 2023	Microsoft Office Home & Student 2021 POSA	S/N100005	128.24
Purchased Nov 23	HP Laptop S/N 5CD312QFBW		1,574.00

EXPENSES		INCOME			
DESCRIPTION	YTD 2026	2025 Year	DESCRIPTION	YTD 2026	2025 Year
Administration Fees	237.84	926.92	Affiliation Fees	38,730.00	77,332.00
Affiliation fees	2,500.00	2,500.00	WOG Player Rego Fees	690.00	2,310.00
Audit Fees	-	-	Interest	54.65	1,183.00
Donations	-	-	Sponsorship	-	-
Insurances	-	13,203.43	Administration Income	-	-
Postage Print & Stat	324.95	1,061.60	Unidentified Deposits	245.00	240.00
Sponsorship	1,300.00	12,450.00	Book Sales	-	-
Vouchers	6,550.00	18,570.00	Sale of Vouchers	-	-
Trav Exes Meetings	3,790.51	9,151.80	Journal	48,000.00	3,105.00
Miscellaneous Travel Exes	-	-	Insurance Contribution	-	-
Trophies Shields & Pres Folders	1,643.01	3,305.53			-
Website	-	2,855.80			-
Grassroots 2024 Acct code 10	2,250.00	950.00			-
Grants	-	-			-
WOG Travel Subsidy	3,500.00	12,250.00			-
Honorariums	-	2,800.00			-
Meetings Lunch & Cabs	1,671.50	625.81			-
HP Laptop	-	-			-
Journal	48,000.00	3,005.00			-
TOTAL PAYMENTS	71,767.81	83,455.89	TOTAL INCOME	87,719.65	84,170.00

Bank Statements Attached		
CBA	29,899.08	
Bendigo	58,044.32	
	87,943.40	

New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association
Details of year to date Income & expenses

New South Wales Veteran Golfers Association Details of year to date Income & expenses					
		1/10/2025	to	31/01/2026	
PAYMENT S		INCOME			
DESCRIPTION	YTD	Prev YTD	DESCRIPTION	YTD	Prev YTD
Administration fees	237.84	224.04	Affiliation Fees Group 1	190.00	192.00
Affiliation Fees	2,500.00	2,500.00	Affiliation Fees Group 2	7,205.00	6,655.00
Audit Fees	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 3	8,835.00	9,275.00
Donations	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 4	-	3,180.00
Insurances	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 5	-	-
Postage Printing & Stationery	324.95	638.10	Affiliation Fees Group 6	2,005.00	1,965.00
Sponsorship	1,300.00	500.00	Affiliation Fees Group 7	2,135.00	2,925.00
Vouchers	6,550.00	6,420.00	Affiliation Fees Group 8	970.00	780.00
Misc Travel	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 9	785.00	1,010.00
	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 10	-	-
Council Meeting Tx	Swyer	92.00	Affiliation Fees Group 11	1,800.00	2,470.00
Council Meeting Tx	Daley	597.74	Affiliation Fees Group 12	-	1,900.00
Council Meeting Tx	Knox	-	Affiliation Fees Group 13	-	-
Council Meeting Tx	Williams	20.00	Affiliation Fees Group 14	-	-
Council Meeting Tx	King	599.97	Affiliation Fees Group 15	-	-
Council Meeting Tx	Trembath	-	Affiliation Fees Group 16	785.00	1,785.00
Council Meeting Tx	Mitchell	-	Affiliation Fees Group 17	350.00	-
Council Meeting Tx	Taylor	227.92	Affiliation Fees Group 18	165.00	165.00
Council Meeting Tx	Guy	-	Affiliation Fees Group 19	-	-
Council Meeting Tx	Hudson	613.52	Affiliation Fees Group 20	1,725.00	1,910.00
Council Meeting Tx	Shadow	572.87	Affiliation Fees Group 21	800.00	735.00
Council Meeting Tx	Dixon	1,086.89	Affiliation Fees Group 22	-	-
Council Meeting Tx Former Councillors		-	Affiliation Fees Group 23	1,630.00	1,370.00
Council Meeting Tx	TOTAL	3,790.51	NO Group 24	-	-
Trophies Shields & Presentation Folders	1,843.01	1,370.83	Affiliation Fees Group 25	-	-
Website		-	Affiliation Fees Group 26	-	30.00
Grassroots		-	Affiliation Fees Group 27	2,240.00	1,305.00
Grants for Cancelled WOG	-	-	Affiliation Fees Group 28	950.00	925.00
Honorariums		-	Affiliation Fees Group 29	3,155.00	10.00
			Affiliation Fees Group 30	-	-
			Affiliation Fees Group 31	985.00	900.00
			No Group 32	-	-
			Affiliation Fees Group 33	-	-
			Directly Affiliated Clubs	2,020.00	590.00
			Affiliation Fees TOTAL	38,730.00	40,037.00
WOG Travel Subsidy	Swyer	-	WOG Player Registration Fees		
WOG Travel Subsidy	Daley	750.00	Deniliquin	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Pautsch	750.00	Dubbo	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Williams	1,250.00	Great lakes	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	King	-	Kew	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Trembath	-	Leeton	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Mitchell	-	Manning Valley	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Taylor	500.00	Port Stephens	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Guy	-	Seaside Valley Kiama	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Hudson	250.00	Silver City	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Shadow	-	Southern highlands	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	Dixon	-	Tenterfield	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy Former Councillors		-	Griffith	-	-
WOG Travel Subsidy	TOTAL	3,500.00	Young WOG	-	-
Meetings Lunch & Cabs		1,671.50	WOG Sign ups	690.00	530.00
HP Laptop		-	WOG Player Registration Fees TOTAL	690.00	530.00
Journal		48,000.00	Interest	54.85	17.49
TOTAL PAYMENTS		71,767.81	Sponsorship	-	-
		21,405.48	Administration Income	-	-
		-	Unidentified Deposits	245.00	-
		-	Book Sales	-	-
		-	Journal	48,000.00	-
		-	Sale of Vouchers	-	-
		-	Insurance Contribution	-	-
		-	TOTAL INCOME	87,719.85	40,584.49



GARY ROGER KING
[REDACTED]

NSWVGA

Account title THE NEW SOUTH WALES
VETERAN GOLFERS'
BSB [REDACTED]
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:

\$57,649.32

Current balance

Transactions from 31/01/2026 - 31/01/2026

This Proof of Account was generated by Bendigo e-banking on February 02, 2026 at 03:45pm



Commonwealth Bank of Australia
ABN 48 123 123 124
Australian credit licence 234945

Account Number [REDACTED] 00
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THE NSW VETERAN GOLFERS' ASSOC INC
[REDACTED]

02 February 2026

Dear THE NSW VETERAN GOLFERS' ASSOC INC,

Here's your account information and a list of transactions from 30/01/26-31/01/26.

Account name	THE NSW VETERAN GOLFERS' ASSOC INC
BSB	[REDACTED]
Account number	[REDACTED]
Account type	Cheque A/c
Date opened	28/07/1995

Date	Transaction details	Amount	Balance
30 Jan 2026	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	\$29,899.08

Due to Gary King not available for the meeting

Moved on motion to adopt the treasure report President John Daley Seconded Clr Robert Trembath -
Carried

NSWVGA TECHNICAL REPORT – DEC 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 and not to any individual email address. This way these will get to the correct person to handle them.

All queries regarding the Membership Register should be sent to membreg@nswvga.com.au and not to any individual email address.

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.

Peter Gron has volunteered to research possible solutions and is liaising with the current supplier.

In the meantime, 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

When populating OneDrive, the agreed file naming conventions and procedures should be used. Folders need to be populated with historical data where relevant. When Councillors want to share a file, please place the documents in OneDrive and send an email to Councillors saying where it is. Do not send as an attachment to the email.

New Council Members have been given the required access. If anyone needs assistance, please let me know.

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. If any help is needed, please contact Catherine.

Public website

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.

The 2025 program has been removed from the website and the 2027 program added.

Under ‘About Us’ the “Office Bearers” have been updated. This includes History of Executive Council, Group Secretaries and Tournament Directors. Please take time to check these and if any errors have been made, please inform me.

I have approached some Group Secretaries regarding their Vets Days and have put on the website. I will continue to do this.

Membership Register

Now that the new Golf Australia CONNECT system is rolling out, we see that it identifies the Home Club for each player. A significant improvement is that

when a Golf ID is looked up, it returns not just the GA index but also the name and Home Club of the player. It does not directly identify the gender as previously, but this can be seen from the detail of any of the registered scores. We need to have access to the official GA table of clubs so that we can replicate it within our Register. This was previously available from a website, but this was taken down in the middle of 2024 - we are chasing this up with Golf Australia. We have made fixes to the Register to allow the new Golf IDs (8000...) to be entered. However, these temporary fixes do not allow the Home Club to be recognised for these new IDs.

In order to fully implement the new Golf IDs, we have decided to redevelop the functions of the Register and at the same time add new functions. This involves producing specifications, getting quotations and proceeding with development. This will be done in parallel to avoid any disruption to current system operation.

When a user finds a Golf ID (GolfLink number) that needs to be changed for any reason or needs to be deleted, they must send the full details to 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.

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

Catherine Pautsch

Peter Guy

1 February 2026

Moved on motion Clr Peter Guy Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch - Carried

PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT 04.02.26

The past three months have been a busy time and rewarding to have received a good response from the Tournament Directors submitting their nomination packs.

New Tournament Directors this year are:

Parkes Trial Event - Peter Bristol, Cootamundra -Lyal Twyford, Corowa Trial Event – Phil Willcoxson, Sapphire City Week – Simon Smith, Walcha Mixed Sand Green Championships – Willy Brennan, The Links Shell Cove Strokeplay Championships – Peter Nascimento, NSWVGA Matchplay Championships Port Stephens – Dave Flatt, Dubbo – Phil Halpin, Kiama – David Macallister, Southern Highlands – Geoff Keen.

Thank you to these volunteers for supporting NSWVGA in an important role.

Unfortunately, Uralla have decided to withdraw from their 2026 and 2027 Week of Golf Events.

Guya has moved from October 2026 to the March gap left by Uralla for 2026 and 2027. This event will follow on from the Walcha Championships in 2026.

Moree has come back into the 2026 calendar.

Griffith requested a swap with Leeton Week of Golf in October. Griffith have another important event which would clash. Leeton agreed and this will be a permanent swap which will suit both clubs and travellers moving forward.

The Far South Coast Week of Golf in 2027 has moved to the spare spot the last week in February.

Manning Valley are to hold a two-day Week of Golf event in 2026. As this is only for two days it will require a minimum number of players to qualify for Shield support.

Howlong has separated from Corowa and will now hold a Trial event 21st to 25th September following Barham Week of Golf.

Corowa Trial event is proposed for the week preceding Deniliquin.

This is the final year for Walcha organizing the Mixed Sand Grand and another Sand Greens Club is required for the next three-year tenure.

Myall Coast, Illawarra and The Central West had 'wait list only signs' noted early.

Nomination packs for the second half of the year have started to arrive. As travelling players like to plan ahead, it is important to get the packs onto the website early.

Planning has begun on the 2028 program.

Penny Hudson

Program Coordinator

Clr Penny Hudson moved on motion to adopt the program Coordinator report Seconded Clr Catherine Pautsch – Carried

Progress report AVGA Championship:

Richard Farrant did provide a written report to the committee on the progress to date for the 2027 Championships.

President John Daley informed the committee that John Knox will now be the representative for NSWVGA for the 2027 Championships.

The AVGA Executive will be included in the insurance for the championships. Gary has confirmed this with the insurance company.

Steve Wicks joined the meeting at 11.43

Steve informed the meeting that he has sent the NSWVGA Treasure an email- budget for the Championship.

They are still experiencing issues with obtaining Sponsorship for the championship, but things are still ongoing

The competition will be

54-hole stroke event for both male and female

54-hole stable ford event for both Men and Women

Golf Genius will be used for the website

Buses will be available to transport players with their equipment to the course. Players will be responsible for their equipment.

There will be a two tee start due to the possible of the shortage of carts

Courses are able to accommodate 100 players per day

There may not be a welcoming function to the championships at this stage but it is up for discussion.

The players will be welcomed on the Sunday during the day where they will receive their welcome package and tournament information.

They will have a meeting on the 23rd of February Richard Farrant will send a copy of the minutes to NSWVGA.

General Business:

There are still ongoing issues with grouped email address as some work some do not. The larger ones like group secretaries and tournament directors have not been set up as yet as we would like to have something in place that works before we set them up. It seems to be only the first two recipients on any list will receive the emails, this does not include the Councillors nswvga. We need to look for a solution to these issues. Clr Catherine Pautsch and Clr Peter Guy are still working on that. Clr Peter Guy will report back at the next meeting on the progress of these issues.

Members Register:

Clr Peter Guy is working on the specifications of what we will require with the members register due to the request received from group secretaries forum, along with the Golf Australia connect ID issues.

Clr Peter Guy stated that he is currently working through the process of working out what is required and drawing up specifications. But due to time restraints he has the members register is not progressing as quickly as he would like.

A sub-committee could be formed to try to address these issues. This will require members to have technical knowledge, and they will be trained by Clr Peter Guy to further assist him to continue working on these issues. Clr Peter Guy will report back on the progress with this at the next meeting.

Policies:

Clr Penny Hudson will revamp policy 1, 5 and 7. They are to be sent out to councillors@nswvga.com for comment, so that we can all see each other's comments. Then they can be voted on at the next meeting.

Policy 4 Take out John Dixon details and replace with John Daley details along with president@nswvga.com as the email address.

Moved on motion John Daley Seconded Clr Penny Hudson – carried

Cash payments as advised by Golf Australia for competition golf:

Amateur golfers cannot accept cash prizes of any value in handicap events. The Only time an amateur can accept cash is when it is a scratch event and then only to the value of \$1350.00

Home page on public website

President John Daley will be revamped and generalized the home page to included what the benefits to members are when they join NSWVGA.

Councillors participation in representing at weeks of golf and at group level

President asked Clr Peter Guy to rep at the NSWVGA Match Play Championships

Summary of Group secretaries forum and recommendations:

1. Revamp Policy 1 to include what is required of a Group Secretary.
2. Also, on the Homepage and in Policy 1 add benefits of joining NSWVGA.
3. Look at the Grass Roots application and simplify it. Policy 11 has this and has been used successfully
4. GS Forum be held twice a year via Teams or ZOOM
5. Monetary support be provided to each Group once a year to hold an Open Day. This can be done through the Grass Roots scheme.
6. If it is viable Councillors should visit Vets clubs to explain where their money goes and why. It should be face to face.
7. A link on the home page for questions and answers
8. Clean up the Members register, purge old records , user notes- This will defer this until we have the new register up and running.
9. There will be an additional field in the new members register to identify home club
10. A link has been added to Group Secretaries for the Open Days in that group area for the year.
11. NSWVGA support Group Championships. If possible, there needs to be a Councillor available at these presentations and at Open Days. This will depend on distances etc.
12. You must be a member of NSWVGA to participate in veterans' events at club, group and state level.

Councillors association with group secretaries:

President John Daley would like the councillors to have contact with the groups and clubs in their area. This does not have to be face to face it can be achieved by attending open days, end of year presentations, phone calls or even teams' meetings.

Revamp of Groups and Clubs:

Re address the number of clubs in a group and the distances involved.

NSWVGA Sponsorship: possibility of sponsorship Discovery caravan parks. President John Daley will further investigate the possibility with Discovery Parks

Groups view on payment of yearly fees. Misconception of when a veteran has to pay fees to play in NSWVGA- Club vets and WOG's:

You must be a member of NSWVGA to participate in veterans' events at club, group and state level.

PDF on flyers for Weeks of Golf: In Policy 2 - Remove the PDF requirement on a flyer for a week of golf

Subcommittee – Portfolios- 2026

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John Daley

Ash Bullock

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Members Register Revamp:

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Rob Trembath

Catherine Pautsch

Rob Orchard

NSWVGA Rep

2027 AVGA Championships :

John Knox

Charlie Swyer backup if needed

Newsletter:

Jim Shadlow

Ash Bullock support

Treasurer: Gary King

Secretary: Aileen Williams

Members Register: Peter Guy

Rob Trembath

Public Website: Catherine Pautsch

Peter Guy

Penny Hudson

Program Co Ordinator: Penny Hudson

John Daley Support

Policies : John Daley

Penny Hudson

Sponsorship: Rob Orchard

John Daley

Weeks of Golf Shields

Voucher Sleeves

And Councillor Allocation: Peter Taylor

Rob Orchard support

Meeting Dates: Changes to meeting dates:

Wednesday 15th April via Teams

Wednesday 10th June face to face

Wednesday 12th August via teams

Wednesday 14th October via teams

Wednesday 9th December face to face

Sandgreen Championships:

Clr Jim Shadlow to put this into the newsletter

Meeting closed at 12.46pm

Next meeting Wednesday 15th April commencing at 9.00am via teams

Action Points:

1. President John Daley liaise with Clr Peter Guy on providing support for Peter
2. Clr Gary King to investigate if we are over insured
3. Clr Peter Guy will send his recommendations on the wording of policy 5 to Clr Penny Hudson
4. Clr Penny Hudson will revamp policies 1, 5 and 7. Clr Penny to send out to allcouncillors@nswvga.com for comment
5. President John Daley and Clr Aileen Williams to liaise Amateur status- cash prizes notification to group secretaries
6. Clr John Daley to generalize the home page and send out to councillors@nswvga.com for comment
7. President John Daley and Clr Catherine to prepare a document- frequently asked questions and answers for the home page. Councillors are to send to John and Catherine what questions that they have been asked.
8. President John Daley to redo the recommendations from the Group Secretary Forum
9. President John Daley to put a proposal together for the possibility relocation of clubs in the groups.
10. President John Daley to put together a proposal together for sponsorship from Discovery Parks
11. President John Daley and Clr Aileen Williams to liaise -Sandgreen Championships
12. Clr Jim Shadlow to put the NSWVGA Sandgreen Championships expression of interest in the Newsletter

13. President to contact John Dixon regarding the state competition