



**Western Sydney Region
Veteran Golfers Association
Sponsored by: The Richmond Club
St Johns Bowling Club
NSWVGA**

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
held on Wednesday 26th November 2025 at Leonay Golf Club.

The meeting was opened by President Les at 2.15pm.

1. Welcome and Apologies.

Moved by Les Knox and seconded by Bruce Baker and agreed by all that the same attendees present can be transferred over, and the same apologies as listed.

2. Obituary.

Dunheved Eddie Chambers: While his death was expected it was still sudden and very sad. He had only recently played at Springwood.

Richmond Ben Ball: He was the first president of the Richmond Vets.

3. Adoption of Council Minutes 1st October 2025.

Moved by Noel Hoppe and seconded Kim Stockbridge and agreed by all that the Minutes of the Previous Meeting were a true and accurate record.

4. Matters arising from Council Minutes 1st October 2025.

Les: Nothing has been received from NSWVGA regarding data base and new Golf ID numbers.

Noel Hoppe to follow up on sponsorship from St Johns Bowling Club.

Moved by Paul Fairbrother and seconded by Noel Hoppe and agreed by all that the Minutes be adopted.

5. Correspondence.

Correspondence File has been emailed to all.

6. Finances.

Financial report has been emailed to all.

Moved by Mark Mostyn and seconded by Paul Fairbrother and agreed by all that the Finance Report be accepted.

7. Interclub Events.

• **Report: Springwood (Mark Mostyn)**

127 starters and registration process worked well.

76 lunches were ordered.

Thanks to 'car parking attendants' with 12 OWN carts coming each charged \$5.

Scanning of cards again delayed by incorrect marking.

The new forward tee course (PURPLE) was used for the first time and generally well received.

Full report is provided with these minutes.

Other comments:

Mark is compiling feedback from the new layout. The object of it was to speed up play which generally was successful.

Usual discussion on how to get Vets to fill cards in correctly. Different clubs have different approaches.

• **Player of the Year**

2 players had equal points for male runner up. After countback as per the Bylaws both were still equal so declared joint winners.

Male P of Y Steve Loader (Stonecutters)

Runners Up John Searle (Glenmore)

& James Bullock (Richmond)

Female P of Y Elaine Williams (Dunheved)

Runner Up Julie Berg (Penrith)

Medals have been received from NSWVGA but \$50 x 2 still to come.

- **Club of the Year**

Richmond were clear winners (115) from Wallacia (1093)

- **Playing dates for 2026**

Still waiting for confirmation of date from Glenmore.

Glenmore are proposing to incorporate a meal with the game for \$45. New restaurant and owner willing to open either Tuesday 17th or Wednesday 18th February.

Pro Shop is also asking for increase in green fees to \$27.

Les: Green fees set by WSRVGA at \$20. Clubs choose to play on a social day when a field of 130+ is guaranteed. Most clubs agreed \$20 was appropriate.

Les also expressed concern about an entry fee and a meal. Membership numbers have come down, rarely is there a full field for Interclub games.

Generally, 20% don't stay for a meal for different reasons.

Question was asked as to what the minimum number of meals ordered would be acceptable.

Glenmore delegates meeting with owner and will report back to the executive.

Penrith Vets.

Les: Richard Doyle called a meeting of Penrith Vets which he also attended and spoke at.

They were able to get several members interested in forming a committee. The Board seems open to help.

Unfortunately, the Vets didn't have a 'presence' in the club as there was a focus on the Seniors Comp which included Vets plus many social players and players from other clubs.

They are now looking at other social interests and activities for the Vets.

Richard will work with the committee but will gradually step back.

Richard thanked Les for his attendance.

- **Entry Form.**

Following comments made at the last council meeting, Peter Aroney has created an entry form which will be sent to each club before their game. It is completed as an excel sheet and is easy to fill out. Now there shouldn't be any mixed formats of entry forms. Thank you Peter.

8. Membership

Registration of members with NWSVGA should be completed and paid for by Dec 2025. Several clubs still to forward them to the treasurer.

9. Contacts for 2026.

Contacts were confirmed for 2026 and any changes in details noted.

Updated lists will be emailed with minutes.

10. General Business:

Les: AGM for NSWVGA will be held on 3rd December. Richard Doyle attending, giving Les's apologies.

Bob Chruszcz asked if it was possible to standardize the Apps used on the phones.

Discussion – 6 clubs use SimpleGolf others use MiScore (\$20/year to use on other courses).

Choice is made by the Club.

Paul: At Dunheved about 60% of Vets use the App while 70-80% use in open competition.

Mark: Expressed concern about the prizes being given to winning teams at Interclub games. He suggested running the Club of the Year from the Player of the Year results. There would still be a winning team but no prize money.

Les explained that \$500 payment made to each club included stipulation that part of it is for Player of the Year. Executive will discuss this and come up with recommendations.

Noel Byles: Explained that he has finished his tenure at the Association which has been a very pleasant experience and he had met some wonderful people. He will not have any official position but will still attend as Richmond contact for Interclub games.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 4th February 2026.

The meeting closed at 3.20pm will good wishes for the Christmas season from President Les.

Les Knox President WSRVGA

Judy Jordan Secretary/Treasurer WSRVGA