



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

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING held on  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at Leonay Golf Club.**

The meeting was opened by President Les at 2.00pm

**1. Welcome and Apologies**

**Attendance:**

DUNHEVED: Wayne Beesley & Paul Fairbrother

GLENMORE: Bill Morris

LEONAY: Bruce Baker & Robert Chruszcz

PENRITH: Russell Cruickshank

RICHMOND:

SPRINGWOOD: Mark Mostyn

STONECUTTERS: Kim Stockbridge

WALLACIA: Noel Hoppe

PRESIDENT: Les Knox (Chair)

SECRETARY/TREASURER: Judy Jordan

**Apologies:**

Noel Byles (Richmond), Peter Watson (Dunheved), Peter Aroney (Glenmore), Chris Sharpe (Richmond), Jeff Donley (Springwood) and Martin Berg (Wallacia)

Moved by Bruce and seconded by Paul and agreed by all that the apologies be accepted.

**2. Obituary.** Nil

**3. Adoption of Council Minutes 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024.**

Moved by Noel H, seconded Col and agreed by all that the Minutes of the Previous Meeting were a true and accurate record.

**4. Matters arising from Council Minutes 3<sup>rs</sup> April 2024.**

Les: Several issues are covered in the Agenda.

Moved by Kim and seconded by Noel H and agreed by all that the Minutes be adopted.

**5. Correspondence.**

Correspondence File has been emailed to all.

Judy: New format summarizing emails under several headings

Several references to publicity appearing in different publications.

Les thanked Noel for the incredible job he is doing with publicizing the Interclub games.

**6. Finances.**

Financial Summary of accounts for April - May has been emailed to all.

Moved by Robert and seconded by Bruce and agreed by all that the Finance report be adopted.

**7. Report from Interclub games:**

- **Leonay 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Report was given by Bruce having been emailed to all.

Hole in One on the 4<sup>th</sup> George Bloomfield (Penrith). Bruce has prepared a certificate for Russell to present to George.

- **Springwood 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

Report was given by Mark having been emailed to all.

Mark's other comment, with 500+ members of Western Sydney Vets disappointing can't get a full field at any time.

Les: Comes back to Club Delegates to get members involved.

Mark: Larger clubs (Leonay and Richmond) providing many extras.

Les: Important to push the Interclub Open in January.

Congratulations to the kitchen staff & food provided, made a vast improvement to the club.

Mark: There had been some confusion over yellow and white tees/plates

Kim: Thanked Mark for the format the results were sent through to him for Club and Player of Year.

Bill: Commented that you could win what you win. Several clubs doing this now.

Mark: tried to even up numbers in each division.

## **8. Interclub games**

- **Penrith 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

Russell handed out Nomination forms. Will also be emailed.

Still an issue with café, will not allow preordering of meals.

There will be work being done on the course with cart paths, tees and bunkers.

Many trees have also gone. \$2 million to spend over 2 years.

## **9. WS Vets Open nominations for 2025**

Interest expressed by Springwood and Wallacia.

### **Springwood: (Mark)**

Successfully hosted many major events

Management and staff deliver a great day

Cooler in Springwood in January than other areas of Western Sydney

Improvements have been made to course

Parking area for cars and trailers has been increased

Try to include more women, move tee boxes forward

2 tees depending on number of starters. 7 -11am & 1pm -

24 carts available, unsure if charge for private carts

### **Wallacia: (Noel H)**

Would have 2 tee start depending on numbers

30 carts

Unfortunately no kitchen

Don't really have a history in running big events

The weather is pleasant in January

It's a challenging course

Les thanks both presenters. Executive would meet soon to decide.

## **10.NSWVGA – Grass Roots program update**

There was disappointment expressed that there wasn't a response or acknowledgement to those who had sent in applications. Also there was confusion as to how the money was being allocated.

Judy: Complete change in program due to administration burden on small clubs and at NSWVGA level. Calculation stays the same (\$25 per 50 members) but distributed to the Group. ie Group 20 \$250 has been deposited in our account.

Suggested by NSWVGA that funds should be weighted to clubs struggling to attract/maintain members.

Following discussion it was decided money could be put towards WS Open to be run in 2025 by either Springwood or Wallacia and hopefully attract new members and increase interest in Interclub games.

### **11. Sponsorship:**

**Les:** Approached Panthers for \$3000 for the January 2025 event. Despite personal contacts we were unsuccessful.

**Noel:** Approached St Johns Park and has been told we have been given 'something'. Bank details have been supplied. Noel will follow up.

### **Judy:**

Format for ClubGrants has changed, now submit through Hawkesbury Council and based on their list of priorities. Will resubmit but not very hopeful.

Les commented that the Richmond Club has been very generous over the years.

Col explained that every club is constantly being asked for money.

### **12. Proposed amendments to Constitution and By-laws and Affiliation Payments**

Les explained the proposed changes needed in Section 1.37.

All were in agreement to adopt these proposed changes at the AGM.

### **Membership:**

NSWVGA have changed Policy 7. Their Financial Year will now run from January 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup>. Any new member joining from 1<sup>st</sup> July, membership carries through to end of the next year. (18 months).

Suggestion that we fall in line with these changes. Les to produce amendments for AGM.

Motion proposed by Noel seconded by Col and agreed by all that anyone who is a financial member of WSRVGA on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> is able to play in any club events to be held this year.

### **13. Change of Meeting dates:**

Due to other bookings changes needed.

Council Meeting on Sept 25<sup>th</sup> now to be held on THURSDAY 26<sup>th</sup> September.

AGM on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November now to be held THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> November.

All in agreement.

### **14. General Business:**

**Mark:** If Springwood was to hold the Open, it would be 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

(Dunheved Interclub 15<sup>th</sup> February)

Constitution 2.33 Reserves allocated equally among clubs. Not possible to do.

Les: Interpret according to the situation/availability.

**Noel:** Wallacia Open Day would be a Wednesday.

State Government are to sell the Club House to St Johns Park Bowling Club.

Out for community consultation now.

### **15. Next Meeting:**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Les Knox

President WSRVGA

The meeting closed at 3.30pm.

Judy Jordan

Secretary/Treasurer WSRVGA