

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION
Secretary / Treasurer : Tony Farrow Ph 0438 259 543

MINUTES of meeting held at Royal Perth Golf Club on Tuesday 7th May 2019

PRESENT: Colin Thorniley, Mike Bemrose, Tony Farrow, Mick Glasson, David Scott, Peter Green, Ross Hancock

APOLOGIES: Stan Sexton, Stan Bartley, Michael Hardless, Tom Grimston

MINUTES: of previous meeting held on 29/1/2019 confirmed and accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. The option for a cashless payment of green fees was still seen as a future option but with no great urgency. Colin T and Tom G to develop some options for review.
2. David S will also continue to develop an option for running a mixed event to be prepared if required at some stage.

CAPTAINS REPORT

1. Next years country vs city event to be scheduled for Bunbury GC on Monday 30th March
2. The city vs country scoring system will be reviewed to try and make it more of a match play option. An aggregate stableford score for each team of two would also allow individual prizes to be continued..
3. Bob Meares letter re awarding daily prizes in one division only as distinct to A, B, & C grade was discussed. No change at this stage as we are reducing the number of grades anyway most weeks. It also keeps us in line with the AVGU competition setup.
4. The issue of insurance cover was discussed and further review is necessary. Colin T, Mick G & Ross H will look at if there is a requirement for cover of our normal Monday golf competition and specifically further cover for the AVGU championships in 2021.
5. The option to plan a state level championship with the South West & Mid West vets was raised. Scheduling would be the main issue with at least two rounds of golf required.
6. The issue of [REDACTED] was reviewed as he is not attempting to meet the membership requirement of being a regular playing member at his home club. David S will follow up with [REDACTED] and advise that he currently does not qualify for membership of our association. It was resolved that to qualify as a regular playing member requires at least 12 games per year.

SECRETARY / TREASURERS REPORT

Cash Book balance as at 30/4/2019

Bank West	\$6,119
Last year	\$13,892

This is down from last year with our plan to gradually reduce our surplus cash account. Details of payments made since previous report was tabled and is attached.

A cash flow budget for the rest of this year was reviewed and will be monitored to aim for a breakeven for the rest of the year

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: Received since previous meeting

Malcolm Kent	Meadow Springs	Gary Hing	Nedlands
Y C Chin	Nedlands	Sam Short	WAGC
Steven Noske	Nedlands	Bob Martin	Meadow Springs
Noel Baker	Mt Lawley	Tony Morgan	Nedlands
Tony Lloyd	WAGC	Ian Gay	Mt Lawley
Bruce Burns	Kwinana	Paul Baster	Nedlands

Current membership	417
New members last year	48
New members year to date	15

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Email received from Seaview golf club inviting WAVGA to relook at options for a game as they believed we were not happy with the course condition. David S will follow up as he had tried unsuccessfully to get a suitable date for this year.
2. Email from Go Golfing Travel promoting Tassie AVGU titles as well as other general travel options. No action required as we are not acting on their behalf in promoting these other events.

SPONSORSHIP:

1. Now have 15 sponsors on board for this year.
2. Thankyou letters and invoices have all been sent out.
3. Some dates have been changed to accommodate sponsors availability.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Peter Green advised that the clubs involved were very happy with the SW tour in early February. The only issue being we need a better system for co-ordinating and advising the bookings for each fixture. Will aim for similar event next year.
2. Peter also outlined that Golf Australia were committed to make some funds available for promotion of seniors or veterans golf and part of this was a review of health & fitness options to be utilised in conjunction with playing golf at senior level.
3. The severe weather policy developed by Stan Sexton was accepted and will be added to our website and be made aware of for all members. Stan & Tom to facilitate.

4. A cashflow budget for this financial year was reviewed showing a loss of \$4,890 and it was agreed that the deficit predicted is more than considered acceptable, particularly if insurance costs need to be added. A breakeven result should be our aim. A number of options for reducing the deficit were discussed and it was agreed that the committee members would consider these and a final decision be made at the next meeting. The options to be considered were:
 - Increase annual membership by \$5 to \$35 gaining approx. \$2,000
 - Increase annual membership by \$10 to \$40 gaining approx. \$4,000
 - Charge a competition fee of \$2 to \$5 at courses where lower green fees are paid gaining approx. \$5,000
 - Reduce competition prizes to one grade only gaining approx. \$5,000
 - Not produce a fixture book for future years gaining approx. \$1350

5. The AVGU championship discussion paper will continue to be reviewed to develop our plan for 2021. Peter Green suggested a survey option needs to be included to assess attendees feedback or future events.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 23rd July Royal Perth GC 10.30am