

held at

ROYAL FREMANTLE GOLF CLUB INC. on Monday 16th August, 1982

Meeting opened 8.00 p.m.

Present:

R.W. Boulton (Chair); H. Macklin-Shaw and 25 Gentlemen representing clubs in the metropolitan and outer suburban areas.

Those present were welcomed by M. Binning Captain of Royal Fremantle Golf Club Inc.

Mr. Boulton introduced Mr. Macklin-Shaw as the President of the South Australian Veterans Golf Association.

Mr. Macklin-Shaw outlined the general basis of Veteran Golf which covered the age group of 55 years and over and was primarily concerned with promoting goodwill and understanding amongst golfers.

The South Australian Association has 562 registered members who are affiliated with the Australian Veterans Golf Union, which was formed in 1963 in Sydney. Other States affiliated are Tasmania, Victoria, Queensland, and New South Wales.

The Union is affiliated with the World Federation of Veteran Golfers whose headquarters are in Broadmore U.S.A.

An outline of the objects of Veteran Golf Associations was given:-

- Minimum age 55 years.
- Affiliated golf club members only.
- Committees formed to organise programmes and request clubs to provide courses on restricted fees basis.
- Steering Committee to establish a Constitution.
- Annual subscriptions \$5 (South Australian).
- Membership card
- Right to handicap under policy of Veterans Association.
- Question of handicapping is vital to regulation of "Pot Hunters."
- International and National Tournaments run as 3 day events.
- Qantas a major sponsor of National Tournaments.
- National affiliation cost based on membership.

0 - 50 \$10 p.a.
51 - 100 \$15 p.a.
101 - 150 \$20 p.a.
151 & over \$25 p.a.

- Subcommittees include Match
Tours
Publicity
- Each club to have a representative who circulates information to Veteran members.

General Discussion:

Mr. Roy Boulton (Royal Fremantle) explained that idea was not to alienate members from their clubs. Country and interstate trips were a major item.

Mr. Wally O'Donnell (Sea View) made an observation on the Constitution and Rules of N.S.W. and Australian Constitution.

Reply

Mr. Macklin-Shaw explained that the Australian body was to pass its Constitution at the October, 1982 meeting.

Mr. John Seward (Lake Karrinyup) sought clarification of Senior and Veteran Golf.

Reply

Mr. Macklin-Shaw explained that Seniors was a closed shop with an invitation to join.

Mr. Les Skelton (Chidley Point) sought clarification on numbers in each tournament being able to be accomodated.

Reply

Mr. Macklin-Shaw explained that it is necessary to break up numbers into age groups to be allocated to more than one club.

Mr. Arch Metherell (Royal Fremantle) made the observation that problems could exist in travelling to country areas due to distances in this State.

Mr. Evan Smith (Hartfield) sought clarification whether clubs generally would agree on half green fees.

Reply

Mr. Macklin-Shaw explained that it was up to individual clubs and responses are usually varied.

Mr. John Seward moved Mr. John Mansfield (Rockingham) seconded:-

That a Steering Committee be formed which is to seek to establish a Veterans Association in Western Australia. Passed.

The following present were nominated to form the Steering Committee:-

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| Roy Boulton | Royal Fremantle |
| John Seward | Lake Karrinyup |
| Dick McEwan | " " |
| Wally O'Donnell | Sea View |
| Brian Bolton | Nedlands |
| Norm Johnstone | W.A.G.C. |
| Roy Ward | Pickering Brook |

Discussion also centred around the need for media publicity.

Relationship of Veteran Association to State Golf Associations is a strong point.

Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m. with refreshments.

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Chairman

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Confirmed.

W.A. VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION

Meeting of the Steering Committee held at R.F.G.C. on Monday 20th September, 1982 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT J. SEWARD (CHAIR) C.R. McEWAN, N. JOHNSTONE, W. O'DONNELL, B. B. BOLTON, R.M. WARD, R.W. BOULTON.

VISITORS D. BROAD, G.H. NEWMAN, J.W. ROWE

COMMITTEE

The Pressident thanked the members for their attendance and welcomed the three visitors. He further pointed out that at this point there were still two vacancies on the committee and sought volunteers. Mr. D. Broad accepted nomination and was voted onto the committee.

Mr. Bolton indicated that a member of Nedlands, Mr. J. Roberts had expressed interest in the vacant position of Secretary/Treasurer and the President arranged to approach Mr. Roberts at the earliest opportunity and secure his services if available.

LETTER TO GOLF CLUBS

The President indicated he had sent a letter to all interested Golf Clubs seeking their views on the formation of the Association their co-operation in making their courses available to the Association in the future.

As no formal replies had been received from the Clubs the President sought an expression of views of their clubs attitude from members around the table.

Without exception members indicated that the news of the formation of the association had been well received and indications of co-operation expressed. The matter of Green Fees to be charged was still under consideration by the various clubs and would need to be determined by their committees but it did appear reduction of green fees for members of the Association was most likely.

The President also indicated he had advised the W.A.G.A. The W.A.G.A. had given the Association its blessing and had notified all clubs in its minutes of 24th August, 1982.

NOMINATION FORM

It was suggested that a nomination form be prepared to enable the enrolment of members. Such nomination form should show, NAME, ADDRESS, AGE, CLUB, HANDICAP, BUSINESS OR PROFESSION and also allow space to enable the secretary of the home club to countersign to confirm the details of the member. It was resolved this work be put in hand immediately.

To provide an immediate supply of cash to enable incidental expenses all members of the committee and the two visitors paid a (\$5) five dollar nomination fee and (\$5) five dollars as the first years subscription.

CONSTITUTION

All members had examined the draft constitution as provided by the S.A.V.G.A. and after discussion it was agreed that with only minor modification in relation to the titles of the Acts expressed therein and small typographical errors being corrected the draft suited the purpose of the Association. It was resolved to submit the draft to a club secretary experienced in these matters with a request that he advise on the change of wording required.

OPENING COMPETITION

The Chairman of the Match Committee expressed the view that the Association was now sufficiently advanced that he would like to see the opening competition conducted in November and suggested Friday 19th or Monday 22nd as possible dates. It was further suggested that as Royal Fremantle had been the instigator in the formation of the association the honour of conducting the event should be given to that club. It was resolved to contact the committee of R.F.G.C. immediately and put the proposition before them. If the suggested dates were not convenient alternatives would be quite acceptable.

COMPETITION FEE

The matter of the competition fee was raised and it was moved and seconded that it be (\$2) two dollars. After considerable discussion during which a lower fee of (\$1) one dollar was suggested it was finally agreed to provide good quality trophies, and in future for various age or handicap groupings a fee of (\$2) two dollars be adopted.

It was also agreed that if sponsor ship could be found for any aspects of the associations finances such sponsorship could be accepted.

NEXT MEETING

It was resolved to hold the next meeting of the Steering Committee at R.F.G.C. at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 11th October, 1982.

(CHAIRMAN)

Meeting of Steering Committee held at R.F.G.C. on Monday 11th October, 1982 at 7.30pm.

Present J. Seward (Chairman), R.W. Boulton, C.R. McEwan,
B.K. Bolton, W. O'Donnell & J.J. Roberts.

Apologies Nil.

In declaring the meeting open the Chairman welcomed John Roberts, invited him to join the Steering Committee and to accept the position of Honorary Secretary Treasurer. John accepted the position and apologised for failing to remind all of the meeting tonight.

Minutes Minutes of the meeting of 20th September 1982 had been circulated and were received and confirmed.

Matters arising:-

(a) Membership Application Forms- The draft compiled by Brian Bolton and John Roberts after consultation with Dick McEwan had been further amended by John Roberts and 500 copies obtained. The amended form was declared acceptable and distribution to Golf Clubs was authorised.

(b) Constitution- Norm Johnstone has this in hand and Secretary directed to endeavour to provide Committee members with a copy of the draft prior to the next Committee meeting.

(c) Opening Competition- to be conducted at Royal Fremantle Golf Club on Friday 26th November 1982. Stableford - A & B divisions - play in fours. Tee times 6 minute intervals commencing 12.30pm from 1st & 10th Tees - Time sheets available at R.F.G.C. - priority to times to be given to all Committee and Presidents guests. Invitations to play extended to Ken King (Chairman of Australian Veteran Golfers Union and President of N.S.W.V.G.A.) and Harry Macklin-Shaw (President S.A.V.G. and T.A.A. Golf Adviser). Competition fee \$2.00 plus Green fee \$3.00. Buffet tea available at \$5.00 a head. Suitable Trophies to be acquired - Committee members to advise of any Sponsors willing to assist in any way and in particular with Trophies - Sec. Treas. to give Competition details to W.A.G.A. for circulation to Golf Clubs.

(d) Competition fees- it was resolved these should be \$2.00 per member per competition conducted by the W.A.V.G.A. or such other fee as the Committee may determine from time to time.

(e) Green fees- it was reported that these were likely to be Cottesloe G.C. \$3.00, Gosnells G.C. \$3.00, R. Fremantle G.C. \$3.00, Lake Karrinyup C.C. \$2.00 with replies still to come from other clubs. After discussion it was unanimously resolved that regardless of the fee being charged by any club the W.A.V.G.A. would charge its members \$3.00 per head such fee to be charged to all competitors including members at their home club.

General Business

Trophy- Wally O'Donnell indicated that he was prepared to donate a Silver Tray for a suitable competition - the offer was accepted with thanks and Match committee was requested to confer with the Donor and recommend an event.

Bank Account. Following a brief report on types of Banking facilities available, Roy Boulton moved "That the Secretary Treasurer be authorised to open a Statement Savings Account with Town & Country Permanent Building Society, such account to be styled J.J. Roberts Trustee for Western Australian Veteran Golfers Association" and all moneys received by the Association are to be credited thereto and approved outgoings are to be paid therefrom. The motion was seconded by Dick McEwan and carried.

Initial Subscriptions. It was considered that the Financial Year of the Association should end on the 31st of December each year and whilst the Secretary Treasurer would be expected to present a Financial Report to Committee at each ordinary Committee meeting it was moved by Dick McEwan and seconded by Roy Boulton "That subscriptions collected between the 16th August 1982 and the 31st December 1982 would be deemed to cover the Membership Fee for the period ending the 31st December 1983." The motion was carried.

Next Meeting. It was resolved to hold the next meeting of the Steering Committee at R.F.G.C. at 7.30pm on Monday 15th November, 1982.
