



7/7 HARMAN RD., SORRENTO 6020

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE
COTTESLOE GOLF CLUB ON 20TH JANUARY 1997

PRESENT G.Backhouse (Chairman) B.Beer, D.Bowditch
W.Todd, N.Corner, A.Bridge, T.Cook, D.Duff,
J.Duncan, C.Roffey, D.Broad.

MINUTES

Minutes of previous Meeting of 9th December 1996
were received and confirmed.

MATCH

Captain Dave reported on our last two events held
at Mt Lawley and W.A.G.C on the 9th December
last where we had excellent fields, followed
by our usual Carvery, which as usual proved most
successful. At that evening our past Captain
Bryan (President George sent his apologies)
presented to our retiring President Merv a
framed photo of the "Endeavour" in appreciation
of his sterling work over past years.

Dave also advised that during our 1997 season
a special competition would be held, the best 10
scores would be combined for an overall average.
The winner to receive a Hill Billy Buggy.

Our first fixtures for 1997 are as usual
at Mandurah on 3d Feb' (no time sheet, we play
with their Old & Bold who arrange the field, from
11am on) and the second event at both Nedlands &
Sea View, Time Sheets at your Club 14 days prior.

NEW	Alan Brinkley (S/C)	Jeff Watkins (Kwi)
MEMBERS	Eugene Sherwood (L/L)	John Bolton (R/F)
	Chic Harper (Gos)	Ernie Bolitho (Gos)
	Rod Ellice (Ned)	Bill Martin (Hart)
	Manfred Ruschmann (Hfd)	Clive Ingham (Rock)
	John Love (Cott)	Paul Templeton (Rock)

TREASURER Alick reported as follows;

	IN		OUT
Sponsor	1500	Trophies	400
Sub's	2320	Green Fees	3130
Nomin'	360	Pty & Sty	137
Comp Fees	2557	AGU Expenses	574
		Match	374
		Postage	63
		Carvery	179
		Bank Ch'gs	5
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	6737		3862
	Bank 2/12/96 3854-	21/12/97	6729
Term Deposits, T & C	20720--B/W		5679

CORRESPONDENCE;

Brad Logan re Booking Office A/C for 6 months.
 Duggan Anderson, Report on AGM last November.
 Bob Coulson re World Seniors visit.

IN Rockingham G/C, thanks for 97 Trophy.
 Melville Glades G/C " " "
 Gosnells G/C " " "
 A.V.G.U re 20c levy for 1997.
 " advising Mal McPherson as secretary.
 " re Affiliation with A.G.U.
 " with minutes of A.V.G.U in 1996.

Brad Logan advising change of Booking Office.
 Mitre 10 re Sponsorship
 Thompsons " "
 Dysart P/L " "
 Don Langoulant, congrats on Life Membership.
 Harry Westlake " " " "

OUT Cottesloe G/C re excess Green Fees.
 Andy Cole re Sponsorship.

GENERAL After a discussion on suitable Trophies for
BUSINESS donation to Golf Clubs who allow us playing
dates, it was decided that a Canteen of Cutlery
was acceptable'

Our sincere thanks to the Sub Committee of
Merv, Norm & Gordon for obtaining at least four
new Sponsors for 1997. Also to our new Sub
Committee of Norm Corner, Tom Cook & John Duncan
who are 1997 stalwarts.

President George welcomed our new Committee

men, Tom Cook, Dave Duff, John Duncan and Colin Roffey, to our Committee, advising them that we all look forward to their support in the future.

Information obtained from the recent AVGU Minutes are as follows;

Australia wide our Veterans Membership amount to approx' 23,000. NSW 12,000, Vic'4956, Q'land 4700, SA 1650, WA 1050, ACT 364, NT 80 plus, Tas 1565.

A trans Tasman tour is being arranged, our new AVGU President to follow up.

The 1998 Championship has been allocated to us, and the Sub Committee of President George, Bryan Beer, ~~Bill Todd~~ ^{JOHN CAPTAIN} and Des Broad will form the Steering Committee, with plenty of assistance, to start the ball rolling.

NEXT MEETING;

GOSNELLS GOLF CLUB
MONDAY MARCH 10TH 9-30 AM

1997



Chairman



7/7 HARMAN RD., SORRENTO 6020

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE
GOSNELLS GOLF CLUB ON 10TH MARCH 1997

PRESENT G.Backhouse (Chairman) B.Beer, D.Bowditch,
W.Todd, N.Corner, T.Cook, D.Duff, J.Duncan,
C.Roffey, D.Broad.

APOLOGIES A.Bridge.

MINUTES Minutes of previous of 20th January were
received and confirmed.

MATCH Captain Dave reported on our Season's 1st Event
at Mandurah Country Club on 3d February, a full
field, made up of our Veteran's and the
Mandurah "old & bold). The 'booking system'
worked fine. The excessive Green Fees charged
will not be repeated in the future.

Our second Event at Nedlands and Sea View on
17th February, with a full field at Nedlands and
61 at Sea View were most successful.

To the Clubs concerned and the Club
Representatives (and helpers) our grateful
thanks.

The two Events at Gosnells are heavily booked
and with kindly weather augers well.

At a Match committee meeting it was agreed
that the Meadow Springs Event would be a
Stableford and that a Town & Country
Logo golf ball plus sandwiches and a drink at
the turn would be the order of the day.

NEW MEMBERS; Brian Anderson, Kwin. Bill Leuzzi, L/L
Alan Cope, Htd. Norm Gillett, S/C.
Bob Booth, Kwi'. Kevin Ferguson, Cott'.
Steve Szonyi, Wan'. Bob Brabazon, Wan'.
Tom Ramsden, Kwi'. Ken Birrell, Gos'.
Leon Edmunds, Rock'. Graham Fosberg, W/A.
Keith Trimble, Wan'. Barry Robershaw, Wan'.
Jim Hill, Wan'.

TREASURER; in 'absentia' reports as follows;

	IN		OUT
Nomin'	300	AGU Levy	134
Sub's	440	Postage	332
Comp' Fees	1618	Trophies	1867
Sponsors	1250	Match	836
		Club Trophies	1232
		Print' & Stat'	264
		Green Fees	1230
		Bank Fees	12
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	3608		5907

Bank 21/1/97 6729-- 4/3/97 4430

Term Deposits; T&C 20720--B/W 5679

CORRESPONDENCE;

Tourist Bureau, copy of "Discover WA"
 Margaret River GC, Trophy on 15th November.
 L/Lands GC, OK for 8th September.

IN Bankwest, with \$500 Sponsorship.
 Mitre 10, with \$250 "
 Sun City CC, 13th September for Trophy.
 Royal Fremantle GC, 30th August for Trophy.
 Hartfield CC, 20th September " "
 " " OK for 25th August.
 A.V.G.U Entry Forms for Rich River on 6/11 April.
 Entry forms for Hawaii tour, 2/14 June.
 Cottesloe GC, unable to assist with G/Fees.

OUT Jim Herring re Levy of 20c to the A.V.G.U.
 Mitre 10, re Sponsorship.
 Cooper & Dysart "
 Jim Herring re names and addresses of Club Reps
 in South West area.
 General correspondence.

GENERAL

BUSINESS Add John Duncan to the 1998 Championship
 Committee and delete Bill Todd.
 Bryan Beer wished to record both Pam and his own
 thanks for the flowers received during Pam's
 recent spell in hospital. We all wish her a
 speedy recovery.

NEXT MEETING; WAGC on ^{April} May 12th, 9-30AM. -----

12/5/97



7/7 HARMAN RD., SORRENTO 6020

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE W.A
GOLF CLUB ON 12TH APRIL 1997

PRESENT G.Backhouse (Chairman) B.Beer, D.Bowditch,
T.Cook, J.Duncan, D.Duff, C.Roffey, D.Broad.

APOLOGIES A.Bridge, W.Todd, N.Corner.

MINUTES Minutes of previous Meeting of 10th March were
received and confirmed.

MATCH Captain Dave reported on the fixtures at
Gosnells on 10th March (138 players) and on 17th
March (129), both days were most successful and
we were made most welcome at the Club.

The days at Rockingham on 7th (115) and 14th
(78) were acceptable considering the condition
of the course, we were all glad to see the quite
considerable improvement since our last visit.

The small field at Lake Karrinyup, (49) was of
concern, the Green Fees no doubt the reason.

At all the above Clubs the assistance of our
Club Representatives was greatly appreciated

After a discussion on a combined Golf Day between
the Committee and Representatives of both
our own and the South West Association, it was
agreed that action be taken promote such an event.
Subject to approval from the Collie Golf Club,
we would seek to hold this event on Monday 1st
September this year. A Bus with suitable space
for our Golf Clubs for transport, with pick up
North and South of the river.

Early discussions between Bryan Beer and Collie
Veterans are very hopeful of an early decision.

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NEW MEMBERS

Brian Bradley M/L. Colin Herring M/L
Les Cook, Rock/7. Frank Fisher Ned'.
Rod Byrne, R/P. Ken Hodgkinson, R/P.
Carl Mills, M/G. Lari Stepatschuk, Cott'.
Max Stewart W.A. Ken Ashdown, Wann'.
Ron Jarvis, Kwi'.

TREASURER	IN	OUT
Nomin'	140	Postage 45
Sub's	170	Trophies 602
Comp' Fee's	4984	Match 249
		Bank Ch's 5
		Pty & Stat' 153
		Green Fees 3772
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	5294	4806
Bank 4/3/97	4430	Bank 28/4/97 4918
Term Deposits, T&C	20720.	B/W 5679

CORRESPONDENCE. Busselton G/C re Trophy & Date.
Dunsborough G/C re Trophy date.
Northern Territory Vet's re Officers for 97.
IN West Travel re mailing in our Bulletin.
Augusta G/C re Trophy Date & Green fees etc.
Fax from the Union Secretary ? our fax number.
Union with receipt for the 20c Levy.

OUT Fax to Union with our new Number (2467110)
S/W Ass'n requesting 20c Levy per member.
Dennis Martin re cheque not honoured
West Travel, advising of our next mailing.

GENERAL The purchase of Ties was discussed and it was
BUSINESS agreed that the Secretary would arrange.

NEXT MEETING; 9-30, 9th June, Mt Lawley Golf Club



Chairman.



7/7 HARMAN RD., SORRENTO 6020

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE
MT LAWLEY GOLF CLUB ON 9TH JUNE 1997

PRESENT G.Backhouse, Bryan.Beer, D.Bowditch, W.Todd,
N.Corner, T.Cook, C.Roffey, D.Duff,D.Broad,.

APOLOGIES A.Bridge, J.Duncan,.

MINUTES Minutes of previous Meeting of 13th April were
were received and confirmed after the Chairman
read a letter advising an omission from the
Minutes of 13th April. (That a report from John
Duncan on letters written to both Royal Perth
and Lake Karrinyup Golf Clubs was not minuted.
This refers to a visit from the Norwegian
Veterans in November.)The secretary apologies.

MATCH Captain Dave reported as follows;
Since our last Meeting the two events at West
Australian Golf Club were conducted in excellent
weather and with fields of 128 & 113.The Senior
Pennant finals certainly effected the 19th.
Unfortunately our Cards box was mislaid after
2d day and although reported to the Club has so
far not been located.

Nominations for the South West Tour are
steadily increasing, augers well for another
successful trip. Mt Lawley is as usual heavily
over booked, reserves aplenty.

NEW MEMBERS Sam Hume, Kwi. Les Norrish, Northam.
Mike Cahill, Kwi.

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TREASURER Alick (in absentia) but recovering well with his new prosthesis, reports;

IN		OUT	
Comp' Fees	4445	Trophies	829
S/W Trip	130	Match	410
Badges	4	G/Fees	3814
Sponsor (Barr)	250	Postage	49
Nomin'	300	Print & Stat'	90
Sub's	240	B/Charges	27
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	5369		5219
Bank 28/5/97	4919	5/6/97	5069
Term Deposits	Town & Country	20720	
	Bankwest	5834	

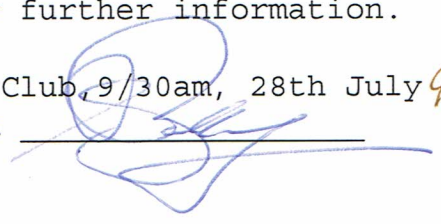
CORRESPONDENCE;

Northern Division Veteran's re Fixtures.
Les Norrish re information on joining.
Merv Hawthorne re Busselton 90th Anniversary.
IN Prodigy Sports enclosing Brochures.
Ken Hodgkinson re Canberra Fixture.
Denis Martin re Subscription for 97.

Faxes to tie Manufacturers, Royale, Hollygreen and Rembrandt requesting quotes.
OUT Letters to Clubs requesting advice on Trophy Dates.
Fax to Lake Karrinyup accepting date for Norwegian visit.

GENERAL BUSINESS;

After discussing the Quotes received on the supply of Ties, it was agreed to accept the Quote from our original supplier, Royale. The Committee expressed their thanks to Merv Hawthorne for his most informative letter re his Busselton visit. After a discussion on the Collie visit on Monday 1st September, subject to confirmation from the Collie Golf Club, it was agreed to organise suitable Bus pick/ups. Numbers limited to Committee and Club Representatives. Please contact Bryan Beer for further information.

NEXT MEETING; Cottesloe Golf Club, 9/30am, 28th July 97
Chairman 



7/7 HARMAN RD., SORRENTO 6020

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT COTTESLOE

GOLF CLUB ON 28TH JULY 1997

PRESENT; G.Backhouse (Chairman) B.Beer, D.Bowditch,
W.Todd, N.Corner, D.Duff, C.Roffey, T.Cook,
J.Duncan, D.Broad.

APOLOGIES: A.Bridge.

MINUTES: Minutes of previous Meeting of 9th June were received and confirmed after a discussion on the visit to Collie on Monday 1st September, all Members of the Committee and Club Representatives are strongly requested to participate in our first Match against a similar field from our South West Association.

Our Metropolitan team will proceed by "BUS" departing as follows;

Mt Lawley Golf Club- 7 AM
Royal Fremantle Golf Club- 7-30 AM
Rockingham Golf Club- 8-15 AM

MATCH; Captain Dave reported as follows, since our last Meeting we have played at Mt Lawley twice (134 and 136) Wanneroo (138) Royal Fremantle twice 127 & 123) Kwinana (90). Weather excellent and good fields. We are still beset by nominees not turning up for their booked time, however others who turn up have been accomodated.

Due to problems on handicapping, it was resolved that an authorised "Results Fax" be sent to each Club from which a members handicap may require adjusting.

Nominations for the South/West tour auger well for another successful week.

NEW MEMBERS; Hilton Hillary (M/L) - Ian Combe (Rock)
Terry Tansey (Rock) - Tony Fiaschi (M/L)
Brian Muldoon (L/L)

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TREASURER; Alick, slumming it in Broome, reports;

	IN		OUT
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Comp' Fee's	5457	Green Fee's	4250
S/W Tour	640	Club Trophy's	2128
Sponsor	250	Match	57
Nom'	100	Pty & Sty	16
Sub's	30	Bank Ch's	6
Badges	14		
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	6491		6457

BANK 5/6/97 --5069 4/7/97 5103

Term Deposits; Town & Country 20720. B/West 5834

CORRESPONDENCE'

Mt Lawley Golf Club, approval off the International in 1998.

Kwinana Golf Club, thanks for trophy.

IN Mt Lawley G/C thanks for our Trophy.
Busselton G/C, thanks for our Trophy, also to Merv Hawthorne who represented us at their 80th year.

Fax, ordering further Club ties.

OUT Letters to Clubs paying Green Fees, also thanks for the use of their course.

GENERAL BUSINESS;

After a discussion on the necessity to arrange sub-committee's for our 1988 International a Meeting is to be held at Mt Lawley Golf Club at 3pm on Friday 15th August.

Committeeman Tom Cook has kindly agreed to act as Minute Secretary, much appreciated. He has also consented to be our Delegate to the 1997 AGM at Canberra in November.

Our sincere thanks to Duggan Anderson who has for many years been an excellent speaker for our State at th Union AGM's. Hopefully he will be prepared to assist Tom as an 'observer' in 88.

NEXT MEETING; 10AM, Monday 25th August, HARTFIELD C/C



Chairman.

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Monday, 25 August 1997

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT HARTFIELD COUNTRY CLUB ON
AUGUST 25TH 1997

PRESENT; G.Backhouse (Chairman) B.Beer, D.Bowditch, W.Todd,
N.Corner, C.Roffey, D.Broad, D.Duff, T.Cook.

APOLOGIES Alick Bridge and John Duncan.

MINUTES; The minutes of the previous meeting held on 28th July 1997 were received and confirmed.

The Collie visit will take place as planned with the only metropolitan pick up being at Royal Fremantle Golf Club at 7.30 a.m. on September 1st. The cost of the bus \$30 each payable to Bryan Beer on the bus. 28 members will participate in the trip.

REPORTS:-

MATCH: Captain David Bowditch Since the last committee meeting at Cottesloe, we have had two fixtures at Cottesloe and one at Melville Glades. Attendances at Cottesloe were down considerably on previous years no doubt due to the fee structure demanded by the host club. As a matter of fact on 53 starters played on the second day, compounded by early morning heavy rain which probably deterred some. Otherwise the weather was excellent.

Melville Glades on August 11th started a field of 145, our best for the year. Weather was perfect and a very pleasant days golfing was probably had by all. Especially the winners. My thanks to Tom Cook for the purchase of trophies for the Bunnings sponsorship day. It was greatly appreciated.

Back to the problems of non-attendance. I have done an analysis of this years fixtures and on average there have been three members who have failed to turn up after nominating. Also interestingly the main offenders appear to be people who have placed themselves on the reserve list and fail to ring up and check as they have plainly been asked to do. How to overcome this problem is another question for which I have no answer. At Melville Glades there were 15 on the reserve list. On the Monday morning of the meeting I 'phoned ten, 5 had checked, the other 5 were not aware they had been upgraded to playing status. 3 turned up. Of the other five not one appeared!

Discussion ensued concerning actions that may or should be taken with respect to the problem of differing charges levied by clubs when agreeing to provide the Association with playing dates. In particular Karinyup (\$30) and Cottesloe (\$20) were mentioned. The only suggestion that received some support from the Committee was to limit requests with these clubs to one day. Otherwise it was felt that we should maintain the present status quo.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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IN		OUT	
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Comp' Fees	8350	Green Fees	7315
S/W Tour	130	Trophies	284
Nomin'	140	Ties	1780
Sub's	90	Phone	66
Badges	4	Post/Stamps	77
Cutlery Set	115	Printing	50
		Golf Balls	1182
		Badges	46
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Bank 4/7/97 \$5103 19/8/97 \$3132

Term Deposits Town & Country 20720

BankWest 5834

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Pinjarra G/C thanks for trophy, won by Ken King.

Nedlands G/C thanks for trophy.

Qantas Seniors at Royal Pines 16/20 March 98.

IN Aust' Seniors at Cumberland G.C 24/25 Nov' 98

Aust' Vets tour New Zealand 8/21 Feb' 98.

Office of Senior Interests 5 year plan for WA.

Capel G.C, thanks for trophy.

New Zealand International, Hastings, 16/20 Feb'98.

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Fax to Union Secretary re our Delegate, Tom Cook.

Fax to Ken King re addresses for Overseas

Secretaries etc.

Royal Fremantle G/C, thanks for their assistance

& with Green Fee's cheque.

Cottesloe G/C, ditto.

Mt Lawley G/C, in appreciation for making their

course available in November 98.

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NEW MEMBERS;

Harry Kitson, R/P

Charlie Round, Man'h

Graham Phillis, R/P.

INTERNATIONAL EVENT NOVEMBER 1998

Chairman George Backhouse led the discussion by providing a draft of part of the brochure which is to be produced for distribution around Australia and overseas well prior to the Australian Championship 9th-14th November 1997.

Following a meeting held at the Mt Lawley club on 15th August Secretary Des Broad had prepared a preliminary schedule of duties and responsibilities for all members of the committee. This schedule provides some information of benefit to each sub-committee. Sub-committees are as follows.

Match & Scoring Dave Bowditch and Dave Duff,

Trophies and Sponsorship Norm Corner & Tom Cook

Social. Bryan Beer and Bill Todd Accommodation. Colin Roffey

Tours and Transport John Duncan Tournament Director. Des Broad

Visiting Ladies Norm Corner Brochure Entry Forms. George Backhouse

Spotters & Caps Des Broad & Bryan Beer.

From the discussion that followed the appointments to sub-committees, the following consensus decisions were reached. Competitions will all be Stableford events. Seafood will not be included in meals. A budget for trophies and other sponsorships is to be made an urgent priority. All trophies to be light weight items in view of possible overseas winners. Accommodation needs to be arranged along the lines of the Canberra pamphlet with pictures where appropriate and details of room rates shown where possible. Yamaha are to be the No.1 sponsor in view of their \$5000 offer.

MONTHLY REPORTS REQUIRED:- All members of the committee assisting with arrangements for the International Championship in 1998 are to lodge short, concise written reports of progress to each monthly committee meeting commencing with the next scheduled meeting set for Melville Glades club on Monday October 13th at 10.a.m. It has been confirmed that committee members will be able to join the sweepstake event held among the club's senior players each Monday at the conclusion of the meeting.

Note:- When the date was set at Monday 29th September it was not realised that this is Queens Birthday long weekend. The 6th October is a Vets event at Pinjarra and the first Monday available is therefore October 13th.

New Members approved were Harry Kitson & Graham Phillis Royal Perth and Charlie Round Mandurah.

The meeting closed at 11.40 a.m.
Signed as a true record

George Backhouse Chairman.

13th October 1997.

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77 Harman Rd., Sorrento W.A. 6020

Monday, 13 October 1997

Minutes of committee meeting held at the Melville Glades Golf Club on Monday 13th October 1997 commencing at 10 a.m..

Present:- Messrs George Backhouse (Chairman) Des Broad (Secretary), Alick Bridge (Treasurer) and members Bryan Beer, Norm Corner, David Bowditch (Captain), Colin Roffey, David Duff and Bill Todd..

Apology received from John Duncan.

The minutes of the meeting held on August 25th were confirmed without amendment.

Match Committee Report:- Captain David Bowditch welcomed back to the meeting of the committee Treasurer Alick Bridge who had been absent for some time due to ill health. He reported on full fields for the last four events, mentioning Hartfield (135) Lakelands (132) Meadow Springs (132) and Pinjarra (116). Mention was made of the need to find more acceptable venues for 1998 in order to counter a drop in attendance which was thought to be largely because of the lift in costs by Karrinyup and Cottesloe.

New Member Applications:- Applications from the following golfers were approved. Sigi Herschberg (Lakelands) Ian Johnson (York) Gus Griffiths (Gosnells) Vern Barnes (Mandurah), Jack Hole (Rockingham), Stan Vernon (Lakelands), Doug Scott (Sea View) Alec Todd (Sun City) Roy Hobson and Irwin Selke.

Secretary Des Broad reported having received a report from Committee member John Duncan seeking clarification of what is expected of him with respect to tours etc in connection with the 1998 International Championship. John asked that his letter be read and the contents addressed (and minuted) at this meeting.

At this stage the Tourist Commission have made available 100 copies of a publication "Discover W.A." and have promised a further 350. The first 100 will be in Canberra for the Championship event in November this year.

Des also reported on an approach by Healthway Sport, and handed their pamphlet entitled "Arts, Racing, Sponsorship Guidelines to Tom Cook for perusal with a view to an application for sponsorship of the 1998 event under the "Quit" campaign logo.

Correspondence reported to the meeting was as follows:-

Notice re Victorian Classic 7/14 February 1998. A.V.G.U. re amendment to the constitution. Allan Headley (Mandurah) resignation. A.V.G.U. re agenda for AGM on 9th November. State Seniors at Chidley event 27/31 October. Rich River re tournament 24/26 November at Echuca.

Treasurers report.

Treasure Alick Bridge advised that the books for the year had been finalised and were with the Association Auditors at present. Alick offered some clear comments with respect to the financial position of the Association, particularly with statistics of attendances and costs of events. Cash was down somewhat because of the recent purchase of ties, and an increase in the value of club trophies. After hearing Alick's verbal report it was decided to maintain the current cost structure for new members and retain the small (\$2) amount retained from each players fee to meet the administrative costs of the Association.

Championship Committee Reports:-

Chairman George Backhouse reiterated his earlier request for written reports from sub committees Three reports had been received for this meeting namely those of Colin Roffey, Bryan Beer and Tom Cook. Verbal reports were tendered by all others present.

Captain David Bowditch requested Tom Cook (as delegate to the AVGU) to elicit just what rules apply to events such as that planned for November 1998. Such things as Tee placements for grades (A.B.or C), Time divisions between groups hitting off (6,7 or 8 minute intervals) Which local rules would apply etc.

Venue Long discussion followed the announcement that Mt Lawley, while still willing to host the Championship, will be in the midst of major clubhouse replacement. It was decided after much discussion to approach the W.A.Golf Club to see if they would be prepared to take over both the golf and the catering aspects of the event/s.

This agreed with much of the content of Bryan Beer's report which recommended a change of venue to WAGC and detailed the costs of catering at a variety of city locations. The Langley being perhaps the best cost alternative.

Trophies and Sponsorship:- Tom Cook reported on his efforts to date and indicated that there were several other prospects. It was suggested that Town & Country be approached by Chairman George Backhouse for a similar sum to the 1990 Championship (\$5,000). In the near future contact will be made with airlines (Ansett and/or Qantas) Tom is hopeful of a major trophy from RGC Mineral Sands Limited namely a full set of titanium clubs.

Accommodation. Colin Roffey reported on costs offered by various hotels with a range of prices to suit most visitors. In all cases the rates offered were at a discount or business fare level.

Ladies Golf. Norm Corner reported that Royal Perth and WAGC were both prepared to welcome lady golfers to their Tuesday & Thursday events, while Nedlands would be only able to offer Thursday competitions.

AGM of A.V.G.U. Canberra. Tom Cook was asked to inquire of the Yamaha representative just how they would like their advertising arranged on our pamphlets etc. Could they provide a block for the printers use? Do they wish to have "demo" cars available on the course? To was also asked to get an idea from each state delegate, the number we might expect to come next year. Finally to obtain the addresses, fax numbers or e-mail details of international secretaries in Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei, Zimbabwe etc.

Norwegian Visit 10/14 November 1997. Play will take place at Karrinyup on 10th November (cost \$25 which is a special concession) and Royal Perth Friday 14th (cost \$15) President George asked as many committee members as possible to take part in these two events and to have club delegates announce that their members may wish to take part and to have them contact Captain David Bowditch as soon as possible.

The meeting ended at 11.45 a.m. and was followed by some members joining the MGGC "Seniors" in a stableford event.




CHAIRMAN

This ia view of Bryan Beer. Watch for your picture next minutes!!!

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Tuesday, 4 November 1997

Minutes of Committee meeting held at the W.A. Golf Club, Mt Yokine, at 10 a.m.. Present. Chairman George Backhouse, Captain David Bowditch, Secretary Des Broad, Treasurer Alick Bridge, Vice Captain Bill Todd, & Committee members David Duff, Colin Roffey, Norm Corner, & John Duncan. An apology was recorded for Vice President Bryan Beer.
The minutes of the meeting dated 13th October were confirmed without amendment.

Match Committee report: - Captain David Bowditch presented the report of his committee which indicated a most successful tour of the South West. The total number of Veteran Golfers participating in the tour was 137 made up of 92 members and 42 ladies. After some discussion it was decided by the committee to support the Captain's proposal to leave out Dunsborough from next years schedule and attempt to replace that event with a game at Harvey Golf Club. The most recent event held was at Royal Perth Golf club on Monday 3rd November when 140 players completed the course in 37 degree heat conditions with some excellent scores resulting. Captain David commented that it was disappointing to note that the B and C Class winners did not stay for the presentation.

Secretary's report: - Secretary Des Broad reported having received new member applications from the following :- Colin Whittaker (Hartfield) Stan Watt (WAGC) John Bailey (Sun City) and David Fanning (Gosnells). All nominations were accepted. Correspondence was received from the AVGU detailing proposed changes to the constitution. Tom Cook as representative of the WAVGA was authorised to vote in favour of the amendments proposed. Outward correspondence was limited to advice by fax re the change of date for the event at Nedlands.

Treasurer Alick Bridge gave a verbal report as this meeting had not been scheduled as a full meeting in sufficient time to have every detail ready. The auditors report for the year had been completed and was with the Secretary in readiness for the AGM on December 8th.

International Event: -

This was the main reason for the meeting, and it was with considerable pleasure all round that the arrangements for the event to be held at the W.A. Golf Club during the first week of November 1988 were confirmed. An inspection of the work carried out by the club revealed a club well worthy of the event.

Match Sub Committee: - A decision has been taken to operate continuous play from one tee, thus making the course available in the afternoons for local members. Starting Caravan to be arranged (George Day). No play on Wednesday (members day). Tom Cook to confirm handicap ranges for each grade when at the AVGU meeting.

Trophies & Sponsorship. Tom Cook and Norm Corner will become active after the AVGU event later this month. Yamaha representative will be at Canberra for discussions about what can be offered in Perth.

Social Bryan Beer & Bill Todd. The arrangements now confirmed with W.A. Golf Club have made planning very much easier. A top grade menu will be available for about \$30 (plus drinks) and the venue can easily handle 300 persons.

Accommodation. Colin Roffey reported progress. Bookings will be a little difficult as the event conflicts with the Rally Australia during the first week in November, but block bookings can be made for confirmation closer to the event.

Tours & Transport. John Duncan apologised for his inability to make day time meetings and tendered his resignation from the committee. His duties will be reassigned by the President George Backhouse. Johns resignation was accepted with regret. Tournament Director Des Broad is happy with the new venue.

Visiting Ladies committee member Norm Corner advised that all was well in hand with the three clubs Nedlands, Royal Perth & Mt Lawley to cater for visiting lady golfers..

Brochures and Entry Forms. President George commented that it is still too early for release of these, but work is in progress.

Spotters & Caps:- Des Broad & Bryan Beer, these arrangements will be finalised much closer to the actual event.

General Business:-

Some discussion ensued concerning the need for suitable nominations for positions at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. Some potential names were mentioned with the responsibility for same with the members who were good enough to recommend them.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.



George & Dave Des Dave & Colin Alick & Norm Bill (looking pensive) Club

President George Backhouse on the left. Captain David Bowditch on the right. (Captains are usually right.)



Special issue for the Secretaries.

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Report to the Committee of The W.A.V.G.A. from Tom Cook Delegate to the AVGU Annual General Meeting in Canberra on 9th November 1997. I must also express my appreciation for the support given me by Duggan Anderson.

400 Playing members attended Canberra. 280 male and 120 female golfers. Many of these appear interested in coming to Perth in 1998. Visitors were from every state and both ACT and N.T. The most important item for us related to the timing of the event to be held at Perth in 1998. It was imperative that the date set be changed to give interstate players the opportunity to come. The direction to me being to do all within my power to have the event scheduled for the week after the Melbourne Cup and also after the Rally Australia which is held near Perth and takes a lot of accommodation.

It was a great relief to hear the announcement on the night of the dinner at Parliament House that the W.A. Golf Club had agreed to the proposed new dates.

Some considerable concern was also voiced at the limit of just one course. I explained the problems faced by Mt Lawley Golf Club, and it was suggested that if at all possible we still make use of their course as well as that of Mt Yokine. There were several who would still like Karrinyup to be included as an alternative course if only for one days play. The three course set up in Canberra (Royal Canberra, Federal and Yowani) created a lot of interest and although they involved some travel, this was of no concern to the golfers.

Another feature which had contributed so much to the attendance at Canberra was the arrangement for three days of golf for ladies. If we have two courses at our disposal, we should definitely consider running a Stableford event for the ladies in conjunction with the championship.

We could have done a great deal more to prepare for the Canberra event. Our publicity was not good. We did not have enough literature, and what we had was not good compared with the efforts shown by Darwin for 1999. I have their five minute video for us to see, and noted the support of their (N.T.) Government in their presentation. So much so that their delegates entire expenses in attending Canberra were being met by the N.T. Government. W.A. incidentally is the only state that does not financially support their delegate's attendance at the AGM of the AVGU.

The 1999 championship will be held in and around Darwin between 9th and 13th August in that year in order to beat the heat. Darwin, Palmerston and Humpty-doo courses will be used.

The annual event is not strictly speaking an "International" event, it is the Australian Veteran Golf Union Championship. Winners can therefore only be members of an affiliated Australian Club. International players are very welcome and a separate category should be established with prizes only for them.

Grades of players. The committee of the ACT Veteran Golfers Association found that there was a very big demand on their resources. They have therefore developed a P.C. programme based on "Microsoft Access" which we will be given. This divided the players according to handicap into three equal categories A, B. & C. grades. In Canberra this meant A. Grade was 0-9, B. Grade 10-15 and C Grade all over 15 handicap. All male players played Royal Canberra twice, however for A Grade players, the extra nine holes of the newer course was used so that these players played 1-9 and 19-27. The first day (Monday) was at Royal Canberra starting at 7 a.m and was a Stableford for men and women while men only were at Federal also playing a friendly Stableford game. The serious stroke event (for men over three days) was played at Federal, Yowani and on the last day Royal Canberra. The ladies played Tuesday and Thursday in a Stableford. Wednesday was a free day for everyone except the hard working committee.

A Cocktail party welcome was held at the Federal course on Sunday evening. It was crowded and everyone enjoyed the occasion but it was not elaborate nor would it have been very expensive. Hot day, finger food and drinks, neat casual wear. The Friday evening dinner (and presentation of trophies), attended by 500 people, at the Great Hall of the new Parliament House was a very well organised affair which was a credit to the ACT committee, the caterers, and the golfers who attended. It was well run, though a better microphone system may have made the announcements a little more understandable.

Green Fees. The ACT clubs had discounted their normal favoured rates somewhat, and the committee therefore included the following in the fees charged. Royal Canberra \$48 for two rounds, Federal \$22 per round, Yowani \$20 so each male player would have contributed \$90 and the ladies \$66. The three clubs used benefited by over \$29000 for the week!

It was perfectly obvious after questioning all other delegates to the AGM Committee, that we have been living in a Veteran's paradise. In Victorian metropolitan clubs the fee charged ranged from \$25 to as high as \$50. In Sydney the range is between \$40 and much higher.

Make-up of Associations. We are alone in the concept of a Veteran's Association made up of a few members from various clubs. In all other states the majority are Veteran organisations within particular clubs, and the club then subscribes to a regional and then a state association. Most charge members \$5 per year with an affiliation fee being paid to the State body. In NSW for example there are 24 regional bodies some with only three or four clubs, and others with twenty or more. There are currently 25588 members from whom affiliation fees are collected in all Australian States & Territories.

Affiliation Fees are due to be paid well before the new deadline of 31st January 1998 at the unchanged amount of 20 Cents per member registered at 31 July 1997.

Sponsorship:- Yamaha will provide \$5000 to W.A. and N.T. before reconsidering continued support. It should be noted that we receive \$5000 but are expected to pay \$2000 of this back to the AVGU. Only National Secretary Malcolm Macpherson is authorised to negotiate with Yamaha.

Other sponsorships vary. 1996 at Rich River totalled \$11000 (including Yamaha) but Canberra found it much harder. They also decided that by using the Australia wide Retrovision Chain they could make all smaller trophies into purchase vouchers with Retrovision and that catered for a lot of "nearest the pin" and "longest drive" matters with a minimum of fuss. Jim Lindwall the Tournament Director (and a very hard worker), will provide us with details.

Accommodation & Suggested Tours. It is often said that it is twice as far from Sydney to Perth (for Sydney-siders) as it is from Perth to Sydney. To counter this we should be very clever in offering a range of accommodation from Caravan Parks through to 5 star. We should also have available tourist information of trips to Margaret River area (which many seemed to know about), about Fremantle and Rottneest and as big a range as possible, with price indications if possible.

Cost:- If we set the nomination fee "on the cheap", then we may well be disappointed. No matter how people travel, by car, by car and caravan, by train, plane or bus, it is going to be reasonably expensive. The people who will come from each of the other states will be coming on a holiday, not just three or four days of golf. Nine W.A. Golfers went to Canberra and I believe almost all of us made it into a holiday which occupied more than just a week. Canberra fees were \$195 for men playing 4 rounds of golf, welcoming party and presentation dinner. Ladies paid \$165 for three rounds of golf and the other two events, Non-Golfers paid \$90 for the welcoming party and the dinner. Carts cost \$32 at Royal Canberra and hire trolleys \$4 each time. No one would expect to pay less here in Perth.

Funding:- Virtually all states receive some support from their respective Minister for Sport. We should make an early approach for similar assistance on an annual basis.

General Business. The revised constitution was approved without change. The expenses of the AVGU President and Secretary in attending the AGM of the body covering air fares or other travel costs, tournament costs (if applicable) and accommodation with a limit of \$2500 was approved.

Other State funds as revealed in the reports from each delegate were considerably less than in W.A.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT MT LAWLEY
GOLF CLUB ON 8TH DECEMBER 1997

PRESENT; G.Backhouse (Chairman) D.Bowditch, B.Beer,
W.Todd, N.Corner, D.Duff, T.Cook, A.Bridge,
C.Roffey, D.Broad.

MINUTES;

Minutes of previous Meeting of 4th November
were read and confirmed.

MATCH;

Captain Dave reported on the events held at
Nedlands and Royal Perth, both with excellent
fields and both in good condition, also our
Championship at Sun City, a smaller field than
previously, however as usual Milton Rowles and
his many helpers gave us every assistance, our
sincere thanks Milton.

Dave also expressed his most sincere thanks
to all the Committee for their assistance during
his first year as Captain.

NEW MEMBERS;

Bert Trutwein, H/D. Bryan O'Callaghan G/H.
Bob Wardell, R/M. Bert Whitney, Gos.
Mike Litis, R/P. Robin Johnstone, R/P. WA Club

CORRESPONDENCE;

AVGU re AGM Minutes and Reports from the
recent Canberra Meeting.

IN

Tom Cook reporting on the above AGM, which he
attended as the WA Representative, backed up
by Duggan Anderson as an Observer. In view of
our forthcoming Championship at WA Club next
November, his excellent Report gives us food
for thought.

Letters from Mandurah, Capel, Dunsborough,
& Wanneroo Golf Clubs expressing their
appreciation of our excellent trophies.

CORRESPONDENCE;

Town & Country Bank re Sponsorship.
 OUT General letters to Sponsor's and Clubs.
 Letters to Golf Club confirming changing
 playing dates.

TREASURER; Alick reported as follows,

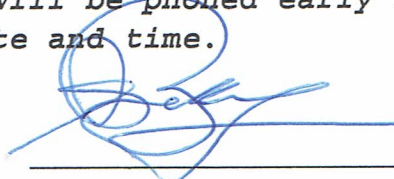
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Comp' Fees	4395	Bank Ch's	21
S/W Trip	10	Trophies	3976
Championship	2410	Match	217
Nominations	280	Green Fees	3680
Subscriptions	2470	Postage	385
Sponsor	250	Printing/Stat'	400
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Bank 30/9/1997 \$2423 ---- 30/11/97 \$3559

Term Deposits; Town & Country \$22108
 Bankwest \$5974

GENERAL BUSINESS;

After a long discussion on the 1998 Championship and the suggestions made at the AGU, it was agreed that a special Committee Meeting would be arranged at an early date. The Committee will be phoned early in the New Year as to a suitable date and time.



Chairman