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WESTERN AUSTRALIAN VETERAN GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION INC

Secretary / Treasurer: Tom Grimston Ph 0403 253 192

MINUTES of meeting held at Melville Glades Golf Club on Tuesday 2nd April 2024

PRESENT: David St George, Stan Sexton, Tom Grimston, Ron Ross,
Doug Hudson, Graham Bourgault, Colin Willis, Colin Thorniley

APOLOGIES: Ron Ross, Stan Bartley, Peter Green

MINUTES: of previous meeting held on Tuesday 30th January 2024 confirmed and accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. First newsletter for 2024 has been sent out to all members.
2. The application to Commbank for a dedicated "one to sign" account for the purpose of distribution of Drummond e-Vouchers has been successful and is now up and running.
3. The concept of a 'trade page' has been put to members via the newsletter and awaiting feedback.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

1. There have been 7 fixtures and 481 players YTD, not including the 3 SW games. There were good fields at Lakelands (103) and Wanneroo (95), but disappointing numbers of only 45 at both Rockingham and Kwinana. This was mainly due to the heat wave. There were also only 44 players at Mosman Park which was disappointing, despite this only being a 9 hole course.
2. The SW tour was a great success and thanks go to Ron Ross, Ian Foot, Greg Bell and Peter Green for their organisational help. Unfortunately, the City Vets lost the challenge 695 to 676.
3. Members need to aware that when there are gaps in the timesheet, their start time will be moved up. All players must check the timesheet Sunday evening or Monday morning to ensure they are not late for their tee time.
4. Encouragingly there have recently been some lady members in the winner's circle, including a hole-in-one.
5. The delegates are working well and will be utilised later in the year to assist in securing fixtures for 2025.

SECRETARY / TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash Book balance as at 31/03/2024

Commbank – transaction account	\$ 5,164
Commbank – Drummond voucher acc	\$ 1,735
Bendigo Bank Fixed deposit	\$35,774 – received \$933 56 Int. and deposit rolled over @ 4.75%
Commbank fixed deposit	\$40,000 – matures 19/4/24

PAYMENTS SINCE PREVIOUS REPORT:

Payments totalling \$30,790.66 were listed and endorsed.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

There have been 9 new members signed up since the previous meeting on 30 January 2024. Current financial membership now stands at 359 with a further 28 unfinancial members. These members have received a final reminder regarding their overdue fees and will be removed from the database on 30 April if they have not made any contact.

DRUMMOND VOUCHER ACCOUNT:

This account was established with an opening balance of \$5000. Since then, Drummond vouchers totalling \$3265 have been emailed out, reducing the overall balance owing to members to \$1280, with no member owed more than \$15.

SPONSORSHIP

1. Graham and Tom met with Wayne Tardrew for Drummond Golf Osborne Park to discuss their ongoing sponsorship of the WA Vets. Wayne advised that it was too early to renegotiate a new deal and that we should plan to meet around September/October. He advised that Drummond were looking at a National sponsorship for the Vets that we would then become part of.
2. Perth Golf Centre have come on board with a sponsorship. They will provide a \$200 voucher for the Order of Merit winner, and a \$100 voucher for the consistency award.
3. Shani Waugh has confirmed her continued sponsorship and will provide the voucher for the ladies consistency award.
4. The changes made to increase the profile of our commercial sponsors are now operating and have been welcomed by all. I hope these changes translate into some extra business dealings with Vets members.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. **Trade Page** – This concept was put to the members in the recent newsletter. Unless there is sufficient interest from the membership, this idea will be dropped.
2. **Promoting membership** – Stan reiterated the need to continue promoting our membership via both our newsletter and with the help of articles included in the Drummond newsletter. The recent inclusion of a photo in our newsletter is a positive idea.

3. **Private cart usage** – One of our members was asked if he had Public Liability Insurance before the club would allow the use of his private cart. The WA Vets do not have their own Public Liability Insurance and rely on the cover held by each golf course that we play at. Members must obtain approval from each club prior to taking their own cart on the course.
4. **Committee timesheet access** – Doug requested all those committee members with privileged timesheet access to ensure they do not make any changes to bookings once the timesheet has closed. Need for these changes must be communicated through the captain.
5. **Approach from member of a country club** – The president was approached to make an exception for a country club member to join the City Vets. This was seen as a dangerous precedent and that our rules of membership should be strictly adhered to. The country club member is to be advised to approach the SW Vets for membership which would then entitle him to play as a guest with the City Vets at a maximum of 6 times per year.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 15 July 2024 - 9:30am at WAGC. (this will precede the game on that day)

Signed as a true record _____

David St George
President

Date