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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of COUNTRY VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION OF W.A.**

**Inc.**

**TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017 9.30am  
CAPEL GOLF CLUB**

### **Minutes**

#### **Attendance**

Alan Dale	Derek Williams	John Wray	Richard Walker
Alan Jeffery	Don Littlefair	Kevin Waller	Robin Knight
Alan Perkins	Frank House	Mark Embry	Ron Adams
Allan Sanderson	Geoff Scott	Neil Leach	Ron Carmody
Arthur Holland	Gus Miles	Neville Parker	Stephen Moore
Brian Best	Jeff Heath	Norm Ellery	Tim Hunter
Brian Nichols	Jeffrey Taylor	Peter Aram	Tim Trethowan
Bruce Pendlebury	Jeremy Lister	Peter Green	Trevor Payne
Cec Holman	John Bendotti	Phil Harper	Wayne Pember
Dave Dawson	John Culverston	Ray Halkyard	Richard Courtney

#### **Apologies**

Ian Haseldine	Greg Peck	Jim Swarbrick	Mike Lawson
Terry Bailey	Bob Garman	Dale McCamish	

#### **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved Peter Aram /

Matters arising

Common Golf Ball - discussed at delegates meeting - no further action

Complaints have been received about Srixon Red - better quality ball available

#### **Reports for 2017.**

##### **Presidents Report**

We've come to the end of what I think has been a successful year with 573 Paid up members and 3 Life Members

We've played 30 games and 3266 rounds of golf during the year which is 3% up on 2016 and 18% up on 2015. I'm happy to say that the "no show" rate has been very low with only 12 during the year, of which I think only 3 have resulted in a 3 match penalty

8 Clubs have hosted 2 events and the % of players who played the second event varies from 22% of the field at Capel to 56% of the field at Bridgetown. (see attached report)

We've also had 2 matches against the Metro Vets at Bunbury and Mandurah with full fields at both events. Some members went to Geraldton with the Metro Vets and 26 members played in the Nationals on the Gold Coast

The Web page had a few problems last year and we had to get a re-write done. I get a monthly summary of the no of hits on the website and there have been over 6500 hits during the year, 2414 on the main page, 3479 on the fixtures page and 526 on the Club Delegates. I believe that the usage rate proves that the website is an effective means of communication and I would recommend that we continue with its use.

There are many people to thank, Dave Dawson, our Treasurer, who has been keeping a tight rein on the money and Geoff Scott who did the audit, to make sure that Dave has been keeping a tight rein on the money. Peter Green, who has been liaising with the Metro Vets, attending their meetings and has created a much closer working relationship with them and working towards the AVGU Nationals in WA in 2021 to be held in Mandurah. Cec Holman who has been arranging for the results to be published in the papers. Barry Bastow who wrote and has been refining a membership database that produces the members reports that you receive before the game. Richard Walker who organised the Geraldton trip and drove the bus all week.

I wish to thank all of the Clubs who have hosted games and especially Capel for allowing us to use the Club for the AGM and allowing the delegates to play in their field today.

The real powerhouse of this organisation is the team of delegates who organise their home events, take nominations for the various games, get them to the host clubs on time and act as a conduit for information flow to the members. To each and every one of you I offer our thanks on behalf of all the members and especially from me, as your efforts make my job easy. You've all done a fabulous job during the year.

### **WAVGA Report**

Peter Green gave a report on meetings with the Metro VGA

Metro vets operate differently using the electronic booking system

Catering is through paid staff. Mandurah cost \$1500 and shotgun starts are not available at most clubs.

Geraldton trip - some issues which were discussed at a Metro meeting and noted. The trip was not promoted well through the SW and could delegates pass on information

Nationals Gold Coast. The organisation was excellent - Country players did well.

### **Treasurers Report**

As attached

Questions were asked about the Term deposit and if this amount would be available to the Metro Vets running the 2021 Nationals

Report be accepted moved Gus Miles/Richard Walker

### **Correspondence**

Clubs re price of beer. In line with a committee resolution a letter had been written to all clubs re the price of takeaway beer. A verbal response had been received from Pinjarra and written response from Collie and Manjimup.

Richard Walker re Geraldton

Richard provided a debrief from the trip detailing some of the problems incurred. These had been taken to a Metro meeting and discussed and noted

### **Business on Notice**

Motion :

"I move that all Veterans Fixtures be returned to one fixture per venue - ie No Double Fixtures"

Moved : Gus Miles      Seconded : Ron Clark

A discussion paper was circulated detailing the attendances during the last 3 years. After considerable discussion the motion was put and lost 26/3

### **Confirmation of 2018 Fixtures.**

2018 Fixtures were confirmed as presented

### **Confirmation of 2018 Fees.**

There was discussion about how to attract players to the more remote courses with a possible sand greens trophy

There was discussion about whether or not to reduce the subsidy to \$200 for 2nd events

Resolved - the fees stay the same at:

\$20 membership + \$10 late fee (after 29 January) or nomination

\$20 /game

\$250 / game to Clubs

### **Appointment of Auditor**

Geoff Scott agreed to be the auditor for 2018

### **Any other General Business.**

The Constitution needs to be reviewed within the next 18 months to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act

Richard Walker suggested that the Great Southern Clubs be recommended to form an independent Veteran Golfers Association and agreed to take on the task of initiating discussions.

Richard Courtney suggested that a common electronic nomination form should be developed to standardise and simplify nominations. This process is already in hand with the development of the database of members and will be forwarded for comment in the near future