

Victorian Veteran Golfers Association Inc.

Reg No A0023016N

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 04 September 2024

At the Mt Derrimut Golf club

The President: Ern Kraulis opened the meeting at 10.25 am and welcomed all serving Councillors present.

1/. Present: President Ern Kraulis, Vice President Geoff Cook, Captain Peter Turner, Treasurer Greg Bennett, Secretary John Robertson. Zone Councillors: Alan Maloney, John Raven, Guest President Ern welcomed to the meeting Ann Dickinson (nominating for Western Zone Councillor at VVGA AGM).

2/. Apologies received: Leigh Greening, Peter Irvin
Moved Geoff Cook seconded Alan Maloney that apologies be accepted **Carried.**

3/. *"If any Executive Member or Councillor has any pecuniary interest in any subject or matter to be discussed at VVGA Council meetings. Please advise VVGA President Ern Kraulis of your interest."*

4/. To receive minutes of the previous Council meeting held at the Mt Derrimut Golf Club on the 15/05/2024.

Moved John Raven, Seconded Geoff Cook, that these minutes be received **Carried.**

5/. Business arising.

Dates for VVGA Tournament Events will be placed on the VVGA web site and included with these minutes to district secretaries.

A motion from previous Council meeting moving VVGA AGM to the Teams Event date in September will be included as agenda item at the 2024 AGM.

\$5000.00 has been transferred at the National Bank from VVGA Business Account to a new Term Deposit Account.

4/. Correspondence In: as included in the agenda.

5/. Correspondence Out: as included in the agenda.

Moved, Peter Turner, Seconded Greg Bennett that all inwards and outwards correspondence be dealt with and received with. **Carried.**

Business for discussion arising from correspondence.

Victorian Delegate to the AVGU Daryl Dunford is retiring his position at the next AVGU AGM.

5/. Financial Report:

Treasurer Greg Bennett reported that the current financial position is \$9250.15 in the Savings Account, and \$15,000.00 in one Term Deposit, also \$5000,00 in our other Term Deposit.

Affiliation Fees for 2025; Treasurers recommendation to the VVGA AGM that 2024/2025 Affiliation fees to be \$4.50 per member.

Recommendation from Treasurer to the AGM, moved John Robertson seconded Greg Bennett. **Carried**

Moved Greg Bennett, Seconded Peter Turner, that the Treasurers report be accepted, and accounts already paid be approved. **Carried**

Moved Greg Bennett seconded John Raven that the financial report be taken to the VVGA AGM. **Carried**

6/. Captains Report: included with these minutes,

Captain Peter moved, and John Raven seconded that the following 2025 events be held at VVGA 4BBB at Lakes Entrance Golf Club March 17-18, Country Championships at the Colac Golf Club May5-6, Teams Championships Western Zone September 15-16 (TBC) Ann Dickinson to follow-up. State Championships (Bendigo TBC) October 6-7,
The captains report be received, moved Peter Turner seconded Alan Maloney. **Carried**

Councillor's Reports:

Southern Zone; Alan Maloney. Alan's reported on Colac Golf Clubs application for 2025 VVGA Country Championships.

Bayside Zone: John Raven reported that numbers of members are down a bit.

Loddon Zone: Geoff Cook Vice-President reported on Loddon Zone happenings, and they are still looking for a replacement Councillor.

VVGA Vice-President Geoff Cook: Reported on The Teams event at Bendigo and attending the Veterans Golf Club of Victoria- 75th Anniversary Event. These reports are included with these minutes.

Metropolitan Zone: Peter Turner reported that they are still looking for his replacement on Council.

They cancelled a veteran's event because of windy conditions on the day for safety of members.

Eastern Zone: No report, new councillor required.

Northern Zone: No report new councillor required.

Western Zone: Ann Dickinson gave a report on Glenelg District Veterans events.

VVGA Teams for Bendigo are Team 1 Ern Kraulis, Peter Turner, John Raven.

Team 2 Greg Bennett, John Robertson, Geoff Cook.

Moved Geoff Cook seconded Peter Turner that Councillors reports be accepted. **Carried**

General Business:

1/. VVGA Sandgreen Champions:

It was moved by Greg Bennett and seconded by John Raven that the Sand Green Championships event be removed from the VVGA golfing calendar. **Carried**

2/. Five-year Plan of VVGA Events Captain Peter has presented this plan to the meeting. With years 2025 & 2026 events and dates to be placed on VVGA Website and Secretary to send copy to all district secretaries.

3/. Sports Focus Incorporated Associations and Governance Training runs for 2 hours. Geoff Cook to organise a date in December for this training. All Councillors to attend.

Moved John Robertson seconded Geoff Cook that we hold our next Council meeting at the Belvoir Park Golf Club after this training event. 03/12/2024 to be confirmed, lunch to be organised **Carried.**

4/. A query from North West District Secretary now that districts will no longer be able to pay accounts by Cheque, Councillors from various districts believed districts were using credit cards to pay accounts.

5/. Southern Zone Councillor Alan Maloney will not be renominating as VVGA Councillor at the next VVGA AGM.

Next Meeting 03/12/2024 be confirmed.

Meeting closed 2.00pm.

Signed; President.....

Dated.....

VVGA 5 year Event Plan

4885 CHAMPIONSHIP

Year	ZONE	COUNCILLOR	HOST CLUB	DATE
2024	SOUTHERN	A MALONEY	BUNINYONG	MARCH 18-19
2025	EASTERN	L GREENING	LAKES ENTRANCE	MARCH 17-18
2026	NORTH EASTERN	?	BRIGHT TBC	MARCH 16-17
2027	LODDON	G COOK		
2028	WESTERN	P IRVIN		

50319 CHAMPIONSHIP

Year	ZONE	COUNCILLOR	HOST CLUB	DATE
2024	WESTERN	P IRVIN	RIVERSIDE	MAY 6-7
2025	SOUTHERN	A MALONEY	COLAC	MAY 5-6
2026	EASTERN	?	PHILLIP ISLAND TBC	MAY 4-5
2027	NORTH EASTERN			
2028	LODDON	G COOK		

TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

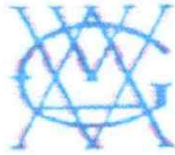
Year	ZONE	COUNCILLOR	HOST CLUB	DATE
2024	LODDON	G COOK	BENDIGO	SEPT 16-17
2025	WESTERN	P IRVIN	PORTLAND TBC	SEPT 15-16
2026	SOUTHERN	A MALONEY	QUEENSCLIFF TBC	SEPT 14-15
2027	WESTERN			
2028	NORTH EASTERN			

50319 CHAMPIONSHIP

Year	ZONE	COUNCILLOR	HOST CLUB	DATE
2024	NORTH EASTERN		COROWA	OCTOBER 7-8
2025	LODDON	G COOK	BELVOIR PARK TBC	OCTOBER 6-7
2026	WESTERN	P IRVIN	HORSHAM	OCTOBER 5-6
2027	SOUTHERN	A MALONEY		
2028	EASTERN	?		

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Captains Report **September, 2024**

It seems like ages since the last Captains report that followed the Mildura Country Championship in May but trust me, things have been progressing, though not always as quickly as we would all like.

2025 Country Championship

Alan Maloney convened a meeting with Corangamite President Graham Clifford and local representatives at Colac Golf Club on June 7th. Alan, Greg Bennett and I attended and we worked our way through the procedures document without encountering issues of concern.

The attractive Colac course seems an ideal venue to hold the event. Probably the only question mark remaining is a location to have a Monday evening dinner. No single venue appears able to cater for the number of veterans we would envisage wishing to attend. It would appear likely that individual groups may need to attend a few different venues

- Councillor Alan Maloney has forwarded the application from Corangamite for the VVGA Country Championship to be held at Colac Golf Club in 2025.

2025 4BBB Championship

Graeme Smith, Secretary of East Gippsland District has forwarded the application to hold the VVGA 4BBB event at Lakes Entrance Golf Club on March 17th & 18th, 2025.

- Graeme will advise us once a suitable venue has been identified to have the Monday evening dinner.
- Graeme has also indicated that he would be available to attend our Council meeting if required but I don't believe that will be necessary. Either, Zoom or a catch up at Bendigo or Corowa with an East Gippsland representative would be more sensible.

2024 Teams event. Bendigo

The team's event application and flyer was eventually provided by Brock from Bendigo Golf Club, much to the frustration of Vice President Geoff Cook and me. Apparently a couple of waves of Covid went through the club leading to a staff shortage.

2024 State Championship

Even more frustrating than the Bendigo flyer/application delay has been the slow response from Corowa in providing their online entry and poster. Email and phone requests for updates by me and Treasurer Greg were generally lacking responses and once again this was attributed to staff shortages.

When the poster was finally put out, the dates were wrong and the QR Code was linked to an Ambrose event. Nathan Thomas (Golf Operations Manager) was requested to provide a link to the entry so members booking could do it on the same device that they were reading the email on. This caused further delay but it was eventually received. Unfortunately, several veterans received return emails advising that they were entered in the previously mentioned Ambrose event.

Hopefully, all bugs have now been deleted and entries are coming in.

2024 Sandgreen Championship

I feel compelled to apologize for not attending the Sandgreen event at Parklands on August 12th & 13th but Cairns winter temperatures took priority. Congratulations to Councillor Peter Irvin for his commitment to this event that I understand was poorly attended and under review. Thanks to Treasurer Greg for organizing prizes and other Councillors who attended and pulled the event together.

Items requiring discussion

1. 2025 4BBB format.
2. Urgency to lock in venues for:
 - a. 2025 Teams Championship. Western Zone September 15th & 16th, 2025. *PortmanD.*
 - b. State Championship. Central Zone October 6th & 7th, 2025.

Pete Turner
VVGA Captain

Vice President/Acting Loddon Zone Councilor's Report

Teams Comp – Bendigo GC

As a consequence of 2 bouts of Covid affecting the staff at Bendigo GC, the entry form for the Teams Event was issued a bit latter than promised. I'm pleased to report that the forms have been issued and planning is now on track. I will liaise with the Bendigo GC Manager to ascertain numbers attending the dinner to keep the catering venue informed.

President Ern and I met with the Licensee of the Golden Square Hotel and he was delighted to host the dinner and will make a generous donation towards making the night a success.

We hope to have the majority of the players attend the dinner and enjoy what will be a great night out.

Veterans Golf Club of Victoria – 75th Anniversary Event.

President Ern and I accepted an invitation from Club President Harold to attend and celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of their club.

The event was held at the Keysborough Golf Club (a challenging layout). After a cool 8.00am shotgun start, the day turned out to be a beauty weatherwise, not so much the golf.

We played with President Harold and Captain Jeff and thoroughly enjoyed their company and banter.

After the game, a terrific hot lunch preceded the awarding of medals to the winners on the day.

President Ern & I were invited to present the winners with their prizes and Ern presented a medallion designed and donated by the VVGA to the overall winner.

We were warmly received and had a great day mixing with the members of the VGC.

Ern encouraged the club members attending the Teams event to attend the dinner to support our sponsor and mix with all attendees for a great night.

Geoff Cook

Vice President.

6 August, 2024

20/08/24

SOUTHERN ZONE
COUNCILLOR'S REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2024 MEETING

Greg, Peter and myself travelled to Colac Golf Club recently and met with the President of the Corangamite Division Graham Clifford and his committee to discuss and assist them with the running of next year's VVGA Country Championships.

They were very appreciative of the visit along with the information they received and were keen to begin organising the event asap.

I talked to Graham last week and he advised that he had further upcoming discussions with the Colac golf club shortly and that everything else was proceeding well.

Alan Maloney

Southern Zone Councillor