

Minutes of MDVGA 41st Annual General Meeting

Spring Valley Golf Club

18th September 2023

The Meeting opened at 1.00pm. The Annual General Meeting was attended by 11 Committeemen and 38 Members.

One Proxy was received from Len Symons

Apologies: Len Symon John James

Minutes of Meeting held on 5th September 2022 at Spring Valley Golf Club:

The minutes were taken as read and accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed: John Baxter

Seconded: Don Hackett

Carried

President's Address:

The President Larry Wilson outlined the Business to be presented to the meeting as:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 5th September 2022.
2. To consider and if thought fit to adopt the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June, 2023
3. To elect Officers of the Association & Committee members.
4. To authorise & confirm the nomination & annual fees for 2024.
5. To authorise completion & lodgement of the necessary Statement to be submitted by the Association in accordance with Part 7 of the Act
6. Such matters of which due notice has been given.

OneGolf/MiScore:

Larry Wilson outlined the update to our match file and booking system which included trying the world wide "Golf Genius" system and then the "One Golf/MiScore" system when Golf Genius was found to be not popular with our members.

Costs:

As an association we are continually facing increases in green fees and are seeing reduced numbers at events where the costs are exceeding \$100. We have some options in reducing costs – these include;

- dropping off the most expensive courses which are usually the premium courses
- accept the increase in costs and accept the reduced numbers
- have fewer events while maintaining the premium courses
- adding some cheaper clubs

Members feedback is encouraged to guide the Committee in their decision on the course schedule.

Malcolm MacPherson:

Larry then paid tribute to Malcolm McPherson who was a founding member and inaugural Captain of MDVGA as well as President, Secretary and Treasurer spanning well over 20 years. He was also an excellent golfer winning the club Championship and Golfer of the Year several times. Malcolm was also instrumental in the organization of the Victorian Veteran Golfers Association.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry thanked all the members for their support during the year and passed over to the treasurer Brian Scott to deliver the treasurer's report. Brian delivered the treasurer's which reported an Income of \$93,356 and Expenses \$95,948 giving an Operating Loss \$2,592. Total Assets were \$32,120. The loss is mainly attributed to the costs of installing Golf Genius and MiScore. (See Treasurer's report for further detail)

It was proposed by Brian Scott that the Associations Annual Report and the Financial Statement as presented give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Association during the FY 23/23 be accepted.

Proposed: Brian Scott

Seconded: Cec Bailey

Carried

Brian also moved that our annual fees be maintained as follows:

Joining \$80.00. Annual Subscription \$40.00 Long Service Members \$35.00

Proposed: Brian Scott

Seconded: Don Hackett

Carried

Authorise the Secretary to the complete and lodge the necessary Statement to be submitted in accordance with Part 7 of the Act

Proposed: Brian Scott

Seconded: Frank Martel

Carried

Special Resolution:

We are proposing a change to our Rule 8 to enable members of social clubs who are a financial member of golf club affiliated with Golf Australia and who have an official GA Handicap to join our Association. This will bring us into line with other States & Districts. The Special Resolution for member approval at the AGM is to replace the first paragraph of Rule 8 with the following;

“A person is qualified to be a member of the Association if they have attained the age of 55 years and are a financial member of a golf club affiliated with Golf Australia and have an official Golf Australia handicap.”

Rule 8 will then read;

A person is qualified to be a member of the Association if they have attained the age of 55 years and are a financial member of a golf club affiliated with Golf Australia and have an official Golf Australia handicap.

A member (other than a Life Member) is required to continue to comply with the above to maintain membership of the Association unless they are covered by the provisions of Rule 14(e).”

It was moved by Larry Wilson and seconded by Frank Martel with the motion carried by a show of hands.

Special Business:

Pursuant to Rule 14(c) to present Honorary Membership to John Sheedy for his 20 years as the Liaison Officer for Spring Valley GC.

Brian then handed back to the President ident for Election of Office bearers and syllabus for next year.

After speaking about the syllabus for next year Larry thanked outgoing Committeemen John Baxter and John James for their support and work on the committee for many years.

He also welcomed a new committee man Tony Adderley from Latrobe GC.

Results of Election:

(There being nominations for all positions filled, no formal election was necessary – the following positions declared)

Larry Wilson	President
Richard Harmer	Captain
Cec Bailey	Secretary

Brian Scott	Treasurer
John Armstrong	Membership
Ian Tait	Communications
Don Hackett	Webmaster
Wayne Reddaway	Merchandise
Frank Martel	General Liaison Officer
Tony Jones	
Tony Adderley	

The President thanked the members for their attendance and there being no other business to be conducted, closed the meeting at 2.00pm.

Cec Bailey
Secretary

