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39th Annual General Meeting of the WDVGA to be held at 2:30 pm on Monday 16th October 2023,  
Warracknabeal Golf Club.

### Agenda

1. Welcome, President Ian Hair.
2. Attendance; Present  
Apologies:
3. Confirmation of minutes of previous AGM 21st November, 2022 (below).
4. Business arising: (Ian Hair).
5. Reports from committee
  - Presidents Report (Ian Hair) -
  - Captains Report (David Baker) -
  - VVGA Councillor Report (David Baker) -
6. Financial Statements (S Harris)  
Fees for 2024.
7. Playing Awards for 2022-2023 season.
  - Greens Champ 2023:
  - Sandscapes Champ 2023:
  - Highest Individual Score:
  - Highest Aggregate:
  - Highest attendance:
8. General Business
  - Notice of Motion:  
**Regarding qualification to become a member of the WDVGA:**  
*"To amend Division 1 section 9 of the WDVGA constitution by deleting the word "male" so that section will read as follows - Any person who is over the age of 55 and who is a member of a Golf Club recognised within the Wimmera region of the Victorian Veteran Golfers Association Inc, and who supports the purposes of the Association is eligible for membership."*
- Moved:                      Seconded:
- Revised playing program for 2024.
  - Other general business.
9. Election of Office Bearers.
  1. President - Nominee, Seconder
  2. Captain - Nominee, Seconder
  3. Secretary - Nominee, Seconder
  4. Treasurer - Nominee, Seconder
  5. Committee - Nominees, Seconders
11. Next meeting, AGM Warracknabeal - October 14, 2024.

**Rob Norton, Secretary, Wimmera District Veteran Golfers Association**

# **38th Annual General Meeting of the WDVGA held at 2:30 pm on Monday 21st November 2022, Nhill Golf Club.**

## **Minutes**

1. Welcome, President Ian Hair.
2. Attendance; Present (sheet).
3. Apologies: Ferdie, Rob. Ellis, Ralph Chequer, David Baker, Peter Irvin, Bill Thomson, Marv Fox.
4. Confirmation of minutes of previous AGM 22nd November, 2021 (below).
5. Elston Trevor agreed,.
6. Business arising: (Ian Hair).
7. Reports from committee

- Presidents Report (Ian Hair) -

The WDVGA has 105 current members, down from 160 in 2020/21 and held 20 events were planned (9 greens, 11 scrapes), with one cancelled and we participated in two additional regional challenges. Average attendance was 33 players per event, which financially is just a break-even number. Attendance in 2016 was 61 and in 2021 was 43. Undoubtedly fuel prices, a wet winter and an aging population have all played into this decline.

I would like to thank the committee and members for supporting the program during the year,

Ladies playing with us - no objection - men and ladies was accepted as a reasonable idea - probably only 4 to 6 players. Ladies play together with their own presentation. Try to run the days together. Not even sure how many events the ladies play but they would need to fit into our schedule. Ladies would need to be incorporated into the VVGA. Idea to move forward

Peter Hammond Moved - Seconded Bill Hutchinson to go ahead, carried. Secretary to follow up with Jo Donelley.

- Captains Report (Bill Hutchinson) -

It was good to play our events this year without any problems from Covid. Apart from a couple of bad weather days our numbers are holding up at a sustainable level. This year we tried a later start at the sand-scrapes

I like the idea but it is up to the members to decide if we do this in the future

Congratulations to our team of Mal Elliott, Merv fox and Bob Freeland who were runners up in the state teams' event at Stawell. Mal collected the trophy for the best score over the thirty-six holes.

Congratulations to our sand-scrape champion Ferdie Masiero and our greens champion Dennis Hutchinson

I thank vice-captain David baker for all his help this year and wish him all the best as our incoming captain

- VVGA Councillor Report (David Baker) -

VVGA cancelled the and scrapes championship, but there is a proposal to reinstate these for 2023. Nearly 100 attended the VVGA teams event held at Stawell - with a team representing WDVGA (Fox, Elliot, Freeland) coming runners-up, and Mal Elliot taking the highest score of the tournament. The AGM was held at Barwon Valley, and the minutes are available from the secretary. The new VVGA President is Ern Kaulis, Secretary is John Robertson and Captain is

Brian Hazell. The regional representative (Western Zone) is Peter Irvin. Affiliation fee to be \$4 per registered player for 2023.

7. Financial Statements (S Harris) (attached)

Fees for 2022 - membership (\$10) and playing (\$20). Clubs receive a minimum of \$400/event. \$400 to each club = need to have 27 players to break even.

Move Denis Hutchinson seconded Stephen Harris.

8. Playing Awards for 2021-2022 season.

- Sandscape Champ 2022: Ferdie Massiero
- Greens Champ 2022: Dennis Hutchinson
- Highest Individual Score: David Baker (42 points, Stawell)
- Highest Aggregate: 441 Stableford points, Dennis Hutchinson, Stephen Harris.
- Highest attendance: 16 out of 20: S Harris, G Moncrieff, R Norton, E Arnold, I Hair.

9. Life Members. The committee has recommended that life memberships be awarded to two members. A motion on this recommendation is required.

Bill Hutchinson: Joined WDVGA 1992, President, 2004-2005, 2012-2013, Captain, 1997-2001, 2022, Committee many times, Captain VVGA, 2012-2015. VVGA delegate and vice-captain of VVGA. Nominated by R Schirmer, Seconded, R Norton. Accepted

Mervyn Fox: Joined WDVGA 1991, Committee 2007, 2017-2021, Captain 2009-2014, President 2015-2017, WDVGA delegate to VVGA 2011-2021. Nominated by R Norton, Seconded S Harris. Accepted.

10. Revised playing program for 2023. Attendance down again to 33 players per event. 8

- Greens events and 10 sand scrape events, only one event cancelled. Two regional challenges.
- Consideration of returning to Horsham (1 pm shotgun hit off, no lunch, \$20 fee, prizes provided by HGC). Proposed dates March 27 and October 30. Accepted
- Lowest attendance at Jeparit (7played, 2 members) and Kaniva (16 played, 2 members). Should we consider replacing those for 2023 with Rupanyup and Sheep Hills, but there are no members from either of those clubs. 25% of games were from Horsham members, 15% from Murtoa, 10% from Natimuk and Dimboola.
- The plan for 2023 is to reduce the number of events, return to Horsham, place clubs where attendance and membership is low on a two-year rotation.

11. Review of Moor Park Golf Course event for 2023 (from 2022 minutes) - agreed to continue with MPGC in 2023.

12. Feedback on the 1000 for 1030 times for the sand-scrape events. Rex Schirmer moved that winter (sand scrape) starts be 0930 for 1000 start. Brian Gready seconded. Motion is carried.

13. Other general business.

Bob Hayes took the floor - all positions declared. vacant.

Election of Office Bearers.

6. President - Ian Hair Nominee Rob Norton Seconded Accepted.

7. Captain - David Baked Nominee, Seconded Declared.

8. Secretary - Rob Norton - Nominee, Seconded declared

9. Treasurer - Steve Harris - Rex Schirimen Nominee, Rob Norton Seconded

10. Committee - Peter Hammond, Rob Ellis, John Peters, Tony Kernick.

**14. Next meeting, AGM Warracknabeal - October 16, 2023. Meeting closed at 3 pm.**