

# Half Yearly Meeting ... Friday 23 June 2017

## Ocean Shores Country Club

### Secretary's Report

First of all, Thank You to everyone in agreeing to the Change Of Date (one week later) for this meeting. It also allowed me to attend the NSWVGA Forum held this Wednesday and be able to report back on that content.

So far, this year we have had 8 Veteran Open Days. Despite the presence of extreme prevailing weather, we have had a successful half of the Vet Open Program run. It was unfortunate that numbers had to be turned away from Iluka at the start of the year. Maybe a rethink in the organisation of the day, might result in more visitors being able to attend. Clubs must run a competition that best suits their Course, but distances that visitors travel should be taken into account. Maybe where there is only a one Tee Time start could be changed to an early and later two competition day. This would allow players from farther afield time to drive to these Open Days, thus increasing participant numbers.

While talking of Veteran Open Days, Clubs are reminded that NRVGA Prizes are to be given out as Plastic Card Vouchers to two Non-Winning, Non-Local players, who are in attendance at the Presentation.

The NSWVGHA Flag is to be passed on to each future Vet Open Day Club. Please be aware that the Flag will be coming to you. Ask questions as to where it is, as your Day grows closer. Also be mindful that the Flag must be passed on to the next Vet Open Day Club. Try and send it on via a participant from that Club at your Open Day. Please send an email to the receiving Club that it has been sent (either by Post or Courier)

I attended the NSWVGA Forum, in Coffs Harbour, for Tournament Directors, Group Secretaries and Club Office Bearers, on Wednesday on my way back from Sydney. This was very informative and I outline the following points that I gleaned from the day.

- nswvga.com website is a work in progress. As a Group Secretary, I found it invaluable as to how our Membership details can be kept up to date easily. No longer will the Group Secretary have to send lists down to Sydney to register our Membership. Everything can now be done at the Grass-Roots level.
- This means that I now want you to send me the names of NEW MEMBERS on an INSTANT basis, as I have access to the Registration Process. Payment is to be sent to our NRVGA Account – **BSB 012 745 A/C 2342 78021** as soon as names are submitted. I will adjust my Official List for your Club and forward the required Registration Fee to Sydney. This process will ensure that our membership will be Up-To-Date all the time.
- There will be an INCREASE in NSWVGA Registration Fee as from 01 October 2018. The Registration Fee will increase from \$3.00 to \$5.00 and from then on will increase by the accumulated CPI increase every Five Years

(approximately 10%). This increase will allow NSWVGA to instigate and fund projects that will benefit all members.

- Veteran Medal – 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> with increased \$ prize
- 4BBB Championship at a Zone and Sate level
- Mixed Championship
- Increased Voucher values at Weeks Of Golf
- Establishment of a Hardship Fund for struggling Veteran Clubs

The Registration Fee has remained constant at \$3.00 since 2005. This means that ALL Clubs are being put on notice that an increase in NSWVGA Fees will necessitate an INCREASE in NRVGA Fees for next year – 01 October 2018.

Clubs need to reassess their OWN Vet Annual Fee this year in preparation. As Treasurer. I would like to move **“that NRVGA Fees be set at \$7.50 per player as at 01 October 2018”**

- Len Payne - Secretary NSWVGA, asked that ALL Clubs have a second Contact person nominated and Contact Details supplied to NSWVGA. This has come about by Len's inability to make Contact with quite a few Clubs due to nominated Secretary being unavailable and no-one being able to supply the information needed. The need for a Succession Plan for Officer Bearers should be implemented.
- Advertising for NSWVGA Handbook – Cut-off date for all information of Association and Club Office Bearers, and any Advertisements that Clubs wish to have included in the Booklet, MUST be in the hands of the Secretary by 30 October 2017

To be dealt with in General Business ...

- ❖ Motion ... **Change advertised AGM Date (13 October 2017) to 27 October 2017**. This is to avoid any clash with AVGU Championships which will be played at this time on the Gold Coast.
- ❖ Decide upon whether Current Rotation of Championship Venues will continue in 2019 to 2022

Move my Report ... Ray Kent, Secretary