



NRVGA ... AGM 2021

Friday 12 November 2021

Ballina Golf Club

Meeting Opened: 8.52am

Chair: John Lowe (President)

Attendance: **BALLINA**

John Swan (President)
Chris Simpson (Secretary)
David Fraser (Assist. Treasurer)

BYRON BAY

Doug Trigg (Secretary)

CASINO

Peter Brophy (President)
Lawrie Bonnor (Secretary)

Club Banora

David Harrod (Captain)

Coolangatta Tweed

Grant Evans (President)
Nick Browne (Secretary)
Joe Bulla (Assist Secretary)

CORAKI

Grant Tait (President)
Steve Ormond (Secretary)
John Watt (Committee Member)

GRAFTON

Graeme Smith (Secretary)
Irwin Perring (Publicity)
Jeoff Turner (Secretary)

KYOGLE

No Representatives

LISMORE

John Lowe (Secretary and President NRVGA)
Ian Leake (President)
Dennis Thompson (Assist Secretary)

Maclean

Bob Harvey (President)
Peter Hamilton (Secretary / Treasurer)

MULLUMBIMBY

Wayne Rogers (President)
Neil Farquhar (Secretary)

MURWILLUMBAH

Allan Barrow (Vice President)
Ray Kent (Secretary and Secretary NRVGA)

OCEAN SHORES	Noel Keil (President) Brad Imeson (Secretary) Michael Cook (Vice President North NRVGA)
POTTSVILLE	No Representatives
WOODBURN EVANS HEAD	Graham Ireland (President) Clint Young (Secretary)
WOODENBONG	No Representatives
YAMBA	Mike Grills (Secretary / Treasurer) John Daley (NSWVGA Vice Pres – Group 14 Rep)

APOLOGIES: Jim Perkins (Captain) Woodburn Evans Head
Dave Wallis (Delegate) Club Banora
Peter Taylor (Mullumbimby and NSWVGA Group 14 Councillor)
Greg Starr (Captain and Vice Pres South NRVGA) Yamba
Paul McCann (President) Byron Bay
Danny Kennedy (Captain) Casino
Jeff Hackett (President) Grafton
Ron Baker (Captain / Finance) Grafton
Paul McGavin (Secretary) Pottsville

MINUTES SILENCE for VETERAN MEMBERS we ‘lost’ through second half of 2021

Ted Browning (Coraki)
Peter Brushfield (Mullumbimby)
John Dynon (Byron Bay)
Des Robinson (Grafton)
Ted Mckenzie (Grafton)
Ken Robson (Grafton)
Peter Gardiner (Woodburn Evans Head)
John Ramsay (Woodburn Evans Head)

Our thoughts and prayers go out to their family and loved ones and to their respective Veteran Club and Golfing Buddies – *Rest In Peace*

CORRESPONDENCE: (Inward)

Nominations for Executive Positions NRVGA

John Lowe – President
Michael Cook – Vice President North
Greg Starr – Vice President South

Nominations for Councillor Positions NSWVGA

John Daley – Vice President and Councillor
Peter Taylor - Councillor

Letter from Grafton vets – Re: Adjustment to Handicaps (for Discussion)

Letter of Motion – NRVGA Life Membership to Ray Kent – John Lowe (Lismore)

CORRESPONDENCE: (Outward)

Survey completed for NSWVGA Medal
to All Club Secretaries
NRVGA AGM Information and Reports
OFFICIAL Lists of Current Membership for Revision for Affiliation NRVGA 2022

MINUTES of PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING: – Half Yearly 6 June 2021 @ Ballina Golf Club

These had been circulated to all Club Secretaries prior to the Meeting
Moved John Watt (Coraki); Seconded Cint Young (Woodburn Evans Head) that the
Minutes be taken as Read ... *CARRIED*

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil**REPORTS:**

Treasurer: Start of Year ... Cash in Bank \$ 9,612.87
Term Deposit \$ 6,000.00
Total \$ 15,612.87

Income for year \$15,176.23
Expenditure \$16,940.66
Loss for Year **\$ 1,764.43**

End of Year ... Cash in Bank \$ 7,848.44
Term Deposit \$ 6,000.00
Total \$13,848.44

NOTE: 1. Treasurer spoke about the difference in Income from previous year,
which had Deposits of this year's Affiliation Fees (\$2122.50) in it.
This would have given the NRVGA a Profit of around \$500.00
2. There was no Income from 4BBB Qualifying Rounds
3. NRVGA Profit from Championship Raffles was \$480.00. This is
included in next year's Finances

Moved Treasurer Ray Kent, Seconded Mike Cook (Ocean Shores) ... *CARRIED*

President: John read from his Report which is uploaded to Website.

Points from John's Report ...

Weather and / or Covid affected 7 of the 18 Veteran Open Days
4BBB and Individual Championships played in October / November
Thanks to Mullumbimby and Byron Bay for organising this year

Winners were ... 4BBB ... Ken Murfett and Mick Gard – Pottsville 50pts

Runners-Up 4BBB ... Brad Imeson and Robert Goodacre – O/Sh 49pts

Gross Champion ... John Rixon – Lismore 79 hits

Runner-Up ... Fred Williams – Ocean Shores 84 hits

Nett Champion ... Owen Cornwall – Murwillumbah 72 nett

Runner-Up Nett ... Bruce Melville – Pottsville 74 nett

Winner Stableford ... Eric Dollery – Maclean ... 39 pts

Runner-Up Stableford ... Col Fisher 38 pts

2022 ... There will be Veteran Masters Stblfd at Coraki in June 2022

Thank You to all Veterans who travelled to play
Thank You to Club Executives who make our Group a success
Thank you to NRVGA Executive
Merry Christmas to Everyone; Healthy and Safe New Year
Bring on 2022

Moved John Lowe and Seconded Doug Trigg (Byron Bay) ... *CARRIED*

Secretary: Ray read from his Report which is uploaded to Website.

Points from Ray's Report ...

Finished the year with 2214 veterans on the Books

Ray talked about Veteran Open Days similar to John

Announced the Medal Winners for Accumulated Point Score

Winner ... Stuart McDonald – Lismore ... Medal + \$50.00

Runner-Up ... Peter Evans – Ballina ... Medal + \$30.00

Passing of Ted Browning – Coraki – Previous Secretary & Life Member

Congratulate John Watt for Life Membership Coraki

Also ADD Congratulations to Nick Browne – CTH – for Life Membership

Importance of NRVGA Website ... nrvga.com - Minutes Results News

Minutes of NSWVGA Meetings on Website

Thanked any out-going Secretaries and Executives for work done

Welcome in new Executive to a number of Clubs

Please don't hesitate to ask for help

Moved Ray Kent and Seconded Peter Brophy (Casino) ... *CARRIED*

Councillor: John Daley presented his Report on NSWVGA info – on Website

Points from John's Report ...

Overview – Peter and John attended events as NSWVGA Reps

NSWVGA News – Meetings now via Zoom + 2 Face to Face Meetings

Data Base – New NSWVGA – Peter Guy and Team – January 2022

Group Secretaries and Tournament Directors will have access

General Public access is via nswvga.com.au

Amalgamation discussions have started NSWVGA and NSWLVGA

Veteran Membership at Veteran Open Days & Weeks Of Golf

NSWVGA Supported Schemes – supporting Clubs at grass roots level

Membership Financial Year is now 1 January to 31 December

2023 Program for NSWVGA is now being finalised

NSWVGA AGM will be held on 8 December via Zoom

Thanked Group 14 and especially Ray Kent for support over the year

Moved John Daley and Seconded Grant Evans (CTH) ... *CARRIED*

Presentation to David Fraser: Certificate of Appreciation from NSWVGA

Ray spoke of Davis's commitment to his role of Secretary of Ballina

Veterans over the last nine and half years. His willingness to embrace
the Computer Technologies and Spreadsheets.

Ray thanked David for his wonderful work and asked John Daley to
present the Certificate of Appreciation to Veterans Golf in NSW

David responded and thanked everyone for the honourable recognition

Election of Executive Positions in 2022:

Only four nominations received – no contested positions

As there were no further nominations from the floor, the 2021

Executive were returned to Office for 2022

Congratulations ... **John Lowe** (Lismore) President 2022

Congratulations ... **Greg Starr** (Yamba) Vice President South 2022

Congratulations ... **Michael Cook** (O / Shores) Vice President North 2022

Congratulations ... **Ray Kent** (Murwillumbah) Secretary / Treasurer 2022

Appointment of Auditor for 2022:

Peter Hamilton (Maclean) accepted his nomination as Auditor 2022 and was duly “Thanked and Appointed”

Patron of NRVGA:

Reg Wallis (Byron Bay) was nominated and Appointed as Patron 2022

Endorsement of Councillors to NSWVGA to represent Group 14:

Nomination Forms were received from **John Daley** (Yamba) for the position of Vice President and Committee; and from **Peter Taylor** (Mullumbimby) for the position of Committee

Moved Ray Kent, Seconded Wayne Rogers (Mullumbimby) ... **“That John Daley and Peter Taylor be endorsed as Group 14 Representatives to NSWVGA”**
... CARRIED

Transaction of Special Business:

Motion 1: “That the current ‘Constitution’ be updated with changes necessary to make the Document the Official Standing Operational Procedures and Rules for the Association”

The Secretary distributed the reviewed Operating Procedures and Rules to all Delegates prior to the AGM.

The revision ...

1. Updated By-Laws 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21

2. Provided clarity as to members’ Affiliation Fees (17.2)

Moved John Daley, Seconded John Swan (Ballina) ...CARRIED

Motion 2: “That Ray Kent, Secretary / Treasurer, be awarded Life Membership of the Northern Rivers Golf Association”

Moved John Lowe (President),

Seconded Greg Starr / Michael Cook (Vice Presidents)

John spoke to the motion stating that Ray is a long serving valuable member of the NRVGA Executive Committee. His contributions far exceed the requirements set out in Section 14: Life Membership of the Northern Rivers Golf Association ‘Constitution’

Some of Ray's achievements ...

Vet Member Murwillumbah since 2008

Captain 2009-2019

Tournament Director Murwillumbah WOG

Elected Secretary / Treasurer NRVGA

Created Murwillumbah Vets Website in 2014

Created NRVGA Website in 2015

Introduced Zoom Meetings in 2020

Current Secretary Murwillumbah Vets

This Motion was put to the Meeting and was unanimously endorsed

Congratulations Ray Kent, Life Member

... *CARRIED*

Ray responded and thanked Delegates for the Honour of being recognised by fellow peers and to be awarded the Honour in their presence ... Thank You

General Business:

Item 1 ... Setting NRVGA Program for 2022

The following Dates have been set for the 2022 NRVGA Golfing Program

Veteran Open Days

ILUKA ...	Tuesday 15 February 2022
BALLINA ...	Monday 07 March 2022
WOODENBONG ...	Monday 21 March 2022
CASINO ...	Tuesday 05 April 2022
BYRON BAY ...	Monday 11 April 2022
YAMBA ...	Monday 02 May 2022
MACLEAN ...	Monday 16 May 2022
MURWILLUMBAH ...	Monday 30 May 2022
MULLUMBIMBY ...	Monday 11 July 2022
OCEAN SHORES ...	Thursday 21 July 2022
KYOGLE ...	Tuesday 02 August 2022
CLUB BANORA ...	Monday 08 August 2022
CORAKI ...	Tuesday 23 August 2022
LISMORE ...	Tuesday 06 September 2022
COOLANGATTA TWEED ...	Thursday 15 September 2022
GRAFTON ...	Monday 26 September 2022
WOODBURN EVANS HEAD. ...	Tuesday 11 October 2022
POTTSVILLE ...	Tuesday 18 October 2022

Championship Dates

VETERAN MASTERS ...	CORAKI ...	Tuesday 14 June 2022
4BBB SINGLE CARD ...	MACLEAN ...	Monday 31 October 2022
NRVGA CHAMPIONSHIPS ...	OCEAN SHORES	Thursday 3 November 2022

NRVGA General Meetings (at least 2 Delegates from each Club attend)

HALF YEARLY GENERAL ...	BALLINA GOLF CLUB	Friday 10 June 2022
AGM ...	BALLINA GOLF CLUB	Friday 18 November 2022

Northern Rivers Weeks Of Golf

MACLEAN	Monday 18 July to Friday 22 July 2022
BALLINA	Monday 25 July to Friday 29 July 2022
MURWILLUMBAH	Monday 01 August to Friday 05 August 2022
COOLANGATTA TWEED	Monday 08 August to Friday 12 August 2022
YAMBA	Monday 15 August to Friday 19 August 2022

Item 2 ... Printing of Program and Membership Cards

The Secretary sought advice from the Delegates regarding the Printing of the Business Cards along with the Program Cards for 2022.

After much discussion it was agreed that these Program cards and Business Size Membership Cards be printed as usual.

Item 3 ... Correspondence from Grafton Re: Handicapping

Graeme Smith (Secretary Grafton) was invited to address the meeting outlining the request from Grafton regarding Soft and hard Handicap imposed by the Current Handicap System.

A healthy discussion followed with examples being given as to when and how certain Veterans received a re-handicapping by putting in 3-5 Cards to their own Match Committee. This had been done after the Veterans concerned, had written to their respective Club Board to have their Handicap adjusted because of personal health circumstances.

After many speakers spoke, it was agreed that this was a matter that had to be dealt with at Club level. The Meeting sympathised with the veterans concerned, but in theory with championing the cause, it would "open a can of worms".

The matter was referred back to Grafton Veterans Club to deal with.

Item 4 ... Wearing of NRVGA Blue Golf Shirts

Wayne Rogers (Mullumbimby) spoke about the wearing of Veteran Shirts on Veteran Open Days and at NRVGA Championships. This was endorsed by John Watt who spoke about the camaraderie that it infers.

After discussion it was stated by the Executive that this should happen wherever and whenever possible. Could all Clubs please take this message back to their Members.

Item 5 ... Nomination Sheets for Veteran Open Days

Doug Trigg (Byron Bay) talked about the need to formalise the organising of Nominations for Open Days, especially with cut off date being adhered to.

Suggestion that an Excel Spreadsheet be sent to all Secretaries to use if it satisfies their 'modus operandi' for their Veteran Open Day. Thank You for Doug to offer this. Doug will send to Ray and together we will work on a sample Nomination Form that Veteran Clubs can adopt or use their own.

Ray suggested that ALL Clubs should work on a 'six week' pre Vet Open Date in order to get their Nomination Sheet out to Clubs – Time for Clubs to get Nominations on Sheet – Sent back to Host Club – and Draw to done at Home Club – and Final Draw sent back to Clubs and Website prior to Veteran Open Day Date.

Item 6 ... Week Of Golf Information distributed to Clubs

Ray from time to time receives information from other Clubs who are conducting Weeks of Golf. Ray suggested that this information could be put on NRVGA Website for any Veteran interested in attending. Could all Secretaries please encourage their Veterans to visit the Website – nrvga.com

Item 7 ... Recommendations to Incoming Executive in 2022 - NIL

Meeting Closed: At 10.25am ... John thanked all Delegates for attending and invited them to partake in refreshments at the Bar
“Safe Driving” and “Merry Christmas”

Ray Kent
Secretary / Treasurer
NRVGA

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