GEELONG DISTRICT VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

REG NO A0040436T



Annual General Meeting

Lara Golf Club

Monday July 14 2025

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Minutes of Meeting held at Lara GC

Welcome	Alan
	Collection of Proxy votes (none presented)
Apologies	Peter Starford, Les Littleford, Paul Beighton,
	Keith Wilson, Denis Moore, Alan Chapman,
	Ross McFarlane, Kevin Oldham, Peter
	Thompson, Russell Holmes, Ken Daniels, Neil
	May
Previous minutes	Posted on the website. No issues arising.
	Moved Richard Olsen Seconded Ted Stroomer
	that the previous minutes be accepted. Carried
President's report	Posted on the website.
	Alan highlighted – Ocean Grove's pennant win,
	the club championship winners, and Captain
	Harvey's tireless work
Captain's report	The Captain's report was posted on the
	website. Harvey highlighted the introduction of
	a 3 rd round to our club championship, the 2025
	pennant fixture is almost finalised, the on going
	issue of the rising cost of golf and the support
	of local retailer (Clubhouse Golf)
Treasurer's report	The 2023/24 Financial Reports were posted on
	the website.
	Brian highlighted the strong financial position
	of the club.
Motion (put from the floor):	Moved Richard Olsen Seconded Brian Hazell
In recognition of the 19 years	Carried
of service by Brian Shaw	
(retiring Treasurer) be granted	
exemption from paying fees for	
GDVGA events. Election of Committee	Nominations
members	President – Ross Duff
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	Secretary – Ray Drady
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Captain – Harvey Otter Treasurer – Leigh Edsall Vice Captain – Greg Bennett Committee

- 1. Shane Clarke
- 2. Robert Law
- 3.
- 4.

Retiring President Alan Maloney declared the above positions filled and no election was required

From the floor:

John Eddington moved and Greg Bennett seconded that Paul Beighton be accepted onto the committee.

Carried

Other husiness (Special	Both of these resolutions have been on the
Other business (Special	
Resolution 21days notice	website since July 7 2024
required- eg life membership,	Life Membership The Committee has
constitution alteration)	passed a motion that Harvey Otter,
	Captain, be awarded Life membership for
	his outstanding contribution to the
	GDVGA over an extended period of time.
	Greg Bennett outlined Harvey's
	contribution to the GDVGA over his
	lengthy period of captaincy
	2. Constitutional Change Section 8 of the
	Constitution to read
	Membership is open to all amateur
	golfers who have reached their 55th
	birthday, a member of a golf club or
	organisation affiliated with Golf Australia
	and hold a current Golf Australia
	handicap.
	Ray Drady outlined why we needed to
	update the membership section of the
	constitution.
	Moved Ray Drady Seconded Greg
	Bennett Carried
Questions from the floor	No questions
(could be taken after each	
report or at conclusion of	
meeting)	

Meeting closed 1.55pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2024/2025

I have much pleasure in presenting my first annual report for the GDVGA.

Firstly, I would like to extend congratulations to Lonsdale Links for their narrow win over Ocean Grove in this year's Pennant Final in April. The match was decided by the last pairing on the 19th hole.

Congratulations also to our A, B and C Grade Champions- Brian Barrell, Phillip Morgan, Greg Gebhart as presented at our end of year event in December.

I would like to thank our committee who have again worked tirelessly throughout the year to provide the opportunity for all members to enjoy their golf at courses throughout the district.

It is a pleasure to regularly hear of glowing endorsements of the Vets events and the spirit in which they are played.

This is reinforced by the strength of our Membership numbers totalling some 210 with now 25 women playing.

I acknowledge the work of Leigh Edsall as Treasurer over the past year. Leigh is finishing his term in order to follow other pursuits. Our finances remain solid and secure under his supervision.

Finally, thank you to all Members of the Association for your participation and enthusiasm, as I look forward to another successful and enjoyable golfing year.

Enjoy your golf

Ross Duff President GDVGA

CAPTAIN'S REPORT 2024/2025

It gives me great pleasure in presenting my Captain's Report for season 2024/2025.

Over the past twelve months our association continues to grow and prosper. We have had an influx of new members especially with lady members, and we now have 23 ladies registered with the GDVGA.

Our event program of one event per month + two challenges has received strong acceptance by all veterans, and attendances have remained at a very high level. Our time sheets are near capacity for all events, and support from all golf clubs has been first class.

The highlight of our event program was the winning of the Corangamite Challenge played at Anglesea in September with our association being victorious after a long drought of seven unsuccessful years.

The Triangular Challenge resulted in a victory for Ballarat edging out Geelong by the barest of margins.

The annual championships presented a strong and close contest in all grades. The format of three rounds with the best two rounds determining the winners was very well received, and resulted in the following champs,

A – Grade Champion was Brian Barrell with 70 stableford points on c/b from Shane Clark.

B -Grade Champion was Phillip Morgan with 72 points from Rob Petho with 71 points

C -Grade Winner was Greg Gebhart with 76 points from Greg Scott with 72 points.

The Jack Morris Perpetual Trophy Winner for 2025 was Greg Gebhart. Congratulations to all winners.

Our veterans made an impact in the VVGA events with Greg Gebhart and Graham Roberts winning the net result in the VVGA 4BBB Championships. Mr reliable, Ross McFarlane won the A-Grade net result in the VVGA Country Championships.

The \$5 surcharge for all players at events to cover vouchers and ball run winners is proving to be sufficient and having no impact on our finance situation.

The Event Fixture for 2026 is finalised and we are waiting on the Pennant Fixture finalisation before we can contact clubs for date acceptance

The pennant competition was a very close contest in both divisions and resulted in a win for Lonsdale Links defeating Ocean Grove 3 matches to 2 in the final.

Pennant preparations for next season is "a works in progress" and should be finalised for our committee and delegates meeting in October.

All pennant captains are reminded to stay in contact with our Vice-Captain Greg Bennett re updates on games played by all your members to qualify.

Administration Report

The destiny of the GDVGA is very positive and continues to prosper due to the tireless efforts of our general committee. All committee members work very well together to ensure the pleasure and friendship for all veterans.

Treasurer Leigh Edsall is restricting his golfing commitments and is resigning as treasurer, and we congratulate and thank Leigh for a sterling effort in controlling our finances.

Our President Ross Duff, Secretary Ray Drady, Treasurer Leigh Edsall, and Vice Captain Greg Bennett continue to perform their duties in a very capable and professional manner ensuring the continued success and total enjoyment for all Geelong Vets.

To all Club Delegates and Club Pennant Captains and Golf Club Managers my personal thanks for your continued support and courteous manner extended to me when we are finalising playing dates and all costing involved each season.

As your Captain my personal thanks and appreciation to all members for your continued support and friendship extended to me over many years. Wishing you all the best of golfing fortunes and total enjoyment for many years to come.

Thank you

Harvey Otter GDVGA Captain.

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2025 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Income		Expenditure	
Entry Fees	\$60,391.00	Green Fees	\$54,981.00
Membership Fees 2024 - 2025	\$5,325.00	Trophies	\$6,962.50
Joining Fees	\$960.00	Pennant	\$112.00
Misc/Sundries	\$600.00	VVGA Affiliation	\$958.50
Shirts & Caps	\$390.00	Post/Print/Stationery	\$871.80
		Computer	\$789.00
Investment Interest 1/7/24 - 30/6/25	\$945.03	Phone	\$436.16
		Misc/Sundries	\$1,153.45
		Banking Fees	\$1,117.14
		Consumer Affairs	\$49.00
		Victorian Vets Major Events	\$760.00
		Shirts & Caps & Badges	\$502.00
Total Income	\$68,611.03	Total Expenditure	\$68,692.55
Operating Profit			
Total Income	\$68,611.03		
Less Expenses	\$68,692.55		
Profit/Loss	-\$81.52		
Cash balance B/Fwd from 30/6/24	\$9,830.41		
Cash on hand as of 30/6/24	\$373.39		
Operating Cash balance as of 30/6/25	\$10,122.28		_

Assets

Bendigo Bank A/C as of 30/6/25		\$9,464.39
Cash on hand as of 30/6/25		\$660.00
	Total Cash	\$10,124.39
Bendigo Bank Inves	stments:	
Long term		\$12,000.00
Short term		\$6,000.00
Stock on hand as o	f 30/6/25:	
Golf Balls	12 dozen	\$446.40
Vouchers:	\$100 - 4 no.	\$400.00
	\$50 - 4 no.	\$200.00
	\$60 - 7 no.	\$420.00
	\$40 - 11 no.	\$440.00
Shirts & Caps	7 caps @ \$15 each	\$105.00
Prepared by Leigh (Treasurer)	Edsall	
Certified by Ross Duff (President)		
Certified by Ray Drady (Secretary)		