



Season 2015-16

The Annual General Meeting

Saturday 23 July 2016 at the Southern Clubhouse

Present:

R. Allardice, G. McLennan, G. Squance, C. Jackson, T. Joseph, R. Dalby.

Apologies:

D. Scoble, G. Walker, S. Allardice

Minutes of the 2015 AGM: Accepted as an insightful and true record of the Quorum Forum..

Moved: T. Joseph; *Seconded:* G. McLennan

Business arising: Nil.

Election of Office Bearers: All positions were symbolically declared vacant and, to quote the Great Man: "You know the drill". The mantra of having a current position '...for life...' was reaffirmed and all positions declared filled by the previous incumbents.

Mr. Jackson (rarely referred to in such polite manner) proposed that 12 years be the maximum penalty for holding the same position. After a moment of deathly silence, it was agreed never to mention the 'elephant in the room' in respect of positions at which point the elephant tamer took the chair as President-Elect.

Treasurer's Report: The season started with a significant bottom line Balance of Funds of \$978.00. No change to the annual subscription was proposed. The Treasurer noted that:

- Game levies were down due to lower attendances; an increase in course fees; and more retirees who pay a lower weekly levy;
- Fines and Raffles are now included in Binningup Surplus but still represent a sizeable amount;
- 2016-17 levies to be determined once course fees are known and whether a change of course is required should the Hamersley construction work go ahead.

The sitting Treasurer received a standing ovation for his magnificent manipulation of the club wallet that produced a closing Balance of Funds of \$1,513.00.

Captain's Report: The season golf calendar was praised in glowing terms and the 2015 AGM words of Home Captain Walker were reiterated: "We came; we went; all good otherwise". Importantly, the away program was enriched by the intervention of Mr. Ron Allardice (rarely referred to in such polite manner) in negotiating the Mandurah Masters highlight. The position of Mr Walker as Home Captain was confirmed as was Mr Joseph as the "pretender".

Golf Program 2015-16: This item was most notable for a complete lack of any fixtures proposed for the 2016-17 season. It was agreed that Mr. McLennan and Mr. Dalby meet to draw up a set of fixtures and that they be provided to Mr. Steve Allardice by August 2016 for printing. For 2016-17, it was agreed that:

- Bingle, Bangle Bongle and the Snake be deleted;
- A draft program be prepared and circulated for discussion.

Mornington Masters 6: To be played from Sunday 5 March to Friday 10 March. Arrive Saturday 4 March and depart Saturday 11 March.

Royal Melbourne is under consideration pending Graham Jack's availability. There could be up to 12 starters for the event.

Other Business:

1. **Binningup Open 2016.** Aiming to keep numbers to around 12 maximum. Left to Mr. Ron Allardice to make the decision about participants pending numbers indicating their availability *for the event*
2. **Augusta Masters.** The same Mr. Allardice presented for consideration a handout detailing a tour to the 2017 US Masters with Qantas Golf Club and Elite Sporting Tours. Cost is around \$13,500 plus air fares and transfers - could be \$20,000 all up;
3. **Clothing.** More home shirts are required. This issue to be looked at closer to the Mornington event.
4. **Golf in Thailand.** The suggestion of a golfing trip to Thailand with its cost and golf experience advantages was discussed with some enthusiasm, and personal experience. At least 5 members expressed an interest.

Meeting closed at 10.25 p.m., all amazed that Mr Allardice was still awake.