



**The Tasman  
Golf Club  
Incorporated**

**84th Annual General  
Meeting**

**Wed, 24 November 2021  
(7.30pm @ 128 Cliff Road)**

**MINUTES**

President Jim Hunter welcomed all & thanked them for their attendance.

**Present:** Mike McGee, Pam Robert, Jill Gillan, Phil Hyatt, Johnny Malcolm, Graham Pitman, Paul Heathcote, Eric Satherley, Alan Tait, Wayne Robinson, Jim Hunter, Derek Gray, Lyndal McMeeking, Colin Rush, Mike Howell, Martin Strange, Claire Prattley, Dawn Carter

**Apologies:** Sarah Rush, Raewyn Bailey, Ross Stevenson, Alan White, Chris Jones, Al Ashcroft

*Acceptance of apologies*

*Moved: Pam Robert / Seconded: Derek Gray*

**Previous Minutes:**

Jim Hunter called for the Minutes of the 25 November 2020 AGM be taken as read.

*Moved: Mike McGee / Seconded: Phil Hyatt*

Accepted as a true & correct record.

*Moved: Eric Satherley / Seconded: Graham Pitman Carried*

**Matters Arising:**

None

**Correspondence:**

None

## **Reports:**

Annual Financial Report and Balance Sheet was presented by Treasurer, Paul Heathcote (attached).

No questions were raised.

*Report Adopted & Balance Sheet Accepted  
Moved: Paul Heathcote / Seconded: Alan Tait.  
Carried*

A vote of thanks to the Treasurer was moved:

*Mike Howell / Seconded: Phil Hyatt*

Presidents Report was presented by Jim Hunter (attached).

*Jim Hunter moved that the President's Report be accepted / Seconded: Alan Tait.*

## **Subscriptions for the 2022 Year:**

Jim Hunter handed over to Treasurer, Paul Heathcote who advised that the club Committee recommendation was the 2022 subscription base fee be increased by \$20.00 & the capital levy remain unchanged resulting in the full subscription being raised to \$525.00.

The Treasurer explained the rationale was to keep the increase in line with an anticipated increase in the CPI of around 4%, and as a result the club's expenses.

*Paul Heathcote moved that the proposed subscriptions for 2022 be accepted /  
Seconded: Johnny Malcolm. Carried.*

## **Honoraria:**

Lyndal McMeeking advised the meeting that the Committee had not recommended any change to the Honoraria rates which are as follows:

President \$150, Treasurer \$100, Men's Club captain \$150, Women's Club Captain \$100

*Paul Heathcote moved that Honoraria rates be accepted / Seconded:  
Derek Gray. Carried*

## **Appointment of Club Patron:**

Jim Hunter advised that Alan Tait had agreed to continue as Club Patron.  
*Acceptance of this appointment Moved: Eric Satherley / Seconded: Pam Robert.  
Carried*

## **Appointment of Financial Reviewer:**

Jim Hunter reported that Ross Stevenson representing W K Strawbridge Limited had agreed to continue in the role.

*Acceptance of the appointment Moved: Phil Hyatt / Seconded: Claire Prattley.  
Carried*

**Election of Officers of the Club:**

Jim Hunter left the Chair at this point, which was taken by Secretary Lyndal McMeeking

There was one nomination from the floor for President, Jim Hunter – *nominated by Derek Gray / Seconded: Graham Pitman*. There being no other nominations, Jim Hunter was duly elected President and re-assumed the chair of the meeting.

The following nominations were received from the floor for positions as Club Officers:

Vice-President: Derek Gray - *nominated by Mike McGee / Seconded: Claire Prattley*

Men's Club Captain: Al Ashcroft - *nominated by Graham Pitman / Seconded: Johnny Malcolm*

Women's Club Captain: No nominations. The position remains vacant.

Treasurer: Paul Heathcote - *nominated by Johnny Malcolm / Seconded: Graham Pitman*

Secretary: Lyndal McMeeking – *nominated by Paul Heathcote / Seconded: Jill Gillan*

There being no other nominations, the above nominees were duly elected. The following nominations were received from the floor for Committee Members:

Graham Pitman – *nominated by Johnny Malcolm / Seconded: Paul Heathcote*

Johnny Malcolm – *nominated by Pam Robert / Seconded: Mike Howell*

Phil Hyatt – *nominated by Colin Rush / Seconded: Eric Satherley*

Colin Rush - *nominated by Phil Hyatt / Seconded: Mike Howell*

Mike McGee – *nominated by Derek Gray / Seconded: Jill Gillan*

Martin Strange – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Paul Heathcote*

Dawn Carter – *nominated by Claire Prattley / Seconded: Jill Gillan*

The maximum number of Committee membership places was not exceeded, the Nominees were declared duly elected.

**Appointment of Club Handicapper:**

Jim confirmed that David Coeland had agreed to continue as Club Handicapper. *Acceptance of this appointment Moved: Eric Satherley / Seconded: Derek Gray*

**Life Membership:**

No new nominations have been received.

**General Business:**

None

There being no further General Business the Meeting concluded at 8.06pm

## **Annex 1 – President’s Report 2021 (01/10/20 – 30/09/21)**

The past year has, once again, been challenging however there are plenty of positives which can give the membership great optimism for the future. Despite a level 4 Covid lockdown, our financial position is healthy, which Paul Heathcote outlined in his report.

The Club’s mission statement is ‘to preserve and enhance the Club for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future golfers, and people of the Tasman district.’ I believe we achieve this goal and I’m constantly impressed by the way Lyndal and our members welcome new members and visitors to the club. I encourage you to introduce yourselves to them and build our reputation as an inclusive and friendly club, whether they are joining us just for the day or for a lifetime.

On the administration front, thank you Lyndal for your great work over the past 12 months. Your dedication and friendly welcome has seen many new members sign up and notably, a significant increase in lady members. A great job also by Michaela Markert for her Sunday duties.

As well as the interruption of the lockdown, handled by Lyndal with her usual efficiency, we have also faced the challenge of being without our Greenkeeper, Tom Rush, for a six week period and following this, his return to work at greatly reduced hours. We wish Tom a speedy recovery as he builds up to his usual hours of work and give him a huge wrap for setting up the course to such a high standard up to the time of his accident. The response from our grounds committee, plus volunteers, during his absence has been phenomenal. As you are probably aware, all these people do this for the wellbeing of the club without payment so that we can continue to enjoy the course at it’s usual high standard. A special mention must be made of Martin Strong who, although not even a member of the club, has been giving his time, up to 20 hours a week mowing.

If you have some spare time, please ask Mike or Phil what you can do to help out.

In addition to this volunteer work on the course, we also would struggle without our sponsors and providers of public grants. Huge thanks to NBS as our naming rights sponsor. Motueka Superliquor as our Kina Open naming rights sponsor and Total Golf Nelson for their continued support. Thanks also to the many sponsors of the Kina Open, Fruitfed for the Fruitgrowers Tournament, sponsors of our tee boxes, practice nets, Twilight Golf and fixtures book which, due to popular demand was re-instated in 2021.

I encourage you to support these local businesses in kind.

Paul Heathcote, assisted by Mike McGee, has continued to obtain public grants for course improvements.

These include:

Pub Charities, New Zealand Community Trust, Lion Foundation, Network Tasman Community Trust and Tasman District Council.

Thank you to these organisations for their generous support.

Thanks to all the sub-committees and the club committee for their efforts during a year with a lot happening. Special mention to Mike McGee as Convenor or the Grounds Committee. Mike and Phil have been the driving force during Tom’s absence and we owe them a huge debt of gratitude. It’s been a real bonus having Phil Hyatt back and his ability to get things done. Hats off to our newest committee

members, Graham Pitman and Johnny Malcolm for the knowledge and enthusiasm they bring to the table, not to mention their quality control work serving at the bar. Committee meetings, now held every 2 months on a Saturday morning, have been a great success.

Sadly, last October, Shirley Heine passed away suddenly. She was a long-time committee and grounds committee member and her dedication to the club will not be forgotten.

As far as golf played during the past year, firstly and most impressive has been the success of our lady members, who, for the second year running, took on all comers in the 9 hole Best of the Best Competition held at the Fairhall Club in Marlborough and won not only 2 individual cups but also the team title. Congratulations ladies. In men's competitions, congratulations to Mike McGee for winning the Kina Open. Well done to our club champions and competitors in interclub competitions, namely Old Hickory, Vets and Sloan and thanks to the convenors of these.

Finally, thanks to the following people, in no particular order:

- The member who anonymously paid for the Club's new wood splitter.
- Our Men's Club Captain, Al Ashcroft and Lyndal McMeeking, standing in as Ladies Club Captain.
- Steve Radcliffe and Humes for donating \$1400 worth of culvert piping.
- Alan Tait for his role as Patron and also the donation of a woodchipper.
- Mike Howell for his drawing of the proposed cart path extensions.
- Phil Hyatt and Aporo Orchards for use of their diggers.
- Phil Hyatt and Steve Beloe for their digger work.
- Colin Rush for transporting the digger to the course as well as providing other tractors and machinery.
- Ross Stevenson and WK Strawbridge and Assoc for preparing the club's accounts.
- David Coeland for his role as handicapper.
- Pete Dunn for servicing and repairs of various course machinery.
- Martin Strange, Wayne Robinson, Alan Tait and Owen Pitman for carpentry and repairs.
- Organisers of the quiz night and the Moutere Inn for hosting it.
- All volunteers in catering, bar duties, fundraising, cleaning and all other work which goes into the running of the club.

In closing, I think the next 12 months will be as busy as the last as we deal initially with implementing the new Covid protocols and work towards completing major projects on the course which include the new cart shed, asphaltting and curbing the bottom carpark, extending the cart paths on the course and upgrading the ridgeline walking track. With the continued efforts of our club's volunteer army, we will achieve these goals.

It is our members which are one of the biggest assets to this club. I encourage you all to look out for each other and also acknowledge all the great work that they do. This, I believe, will lead to a bright future for the Tasman Golf Club.

Jim Hunter  
PRESIDENT

## **Annex 2 - Treasurer's Report to the 2021 AGM of The Tasman Golf Club**

### **Introduction**

To begin, I would like to acknowledge the great work and commitment of the large number of volunteers who regularly give their time and experience in ensuring the continued progression of this golf club.

In addition, the club's 3 employees have again displayed their skills and abilities in their respective roles in not only maintaining, but improving, our position as a top golfing destination for the Top of the South.

Regarding my overseeing of the financial aspects of the club, and this being my initial year in the role of treasurer, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to both the previous treasurer Mike McGee and club secretary Lyndal McMeeking, for their guidance, understanding and support, over the past year.

### **Financial Statement Summary:**

The Statement of financial Performance for the year ending 30 September 2021 paints a positive trading year for the Golf Club.

Total Income of \$181,175 was offset by expenditure of \$150,136, and when allowing for depreciation (\$14,372), a net profit of \$16,741 was achieved.

Income (\$181,175) was 7.5% higher than that of the previous year (\$167,797).

Expenditure (\$150,136) was 11.5% higher than that of the previous year (\$132,774).

The Balance sheet confirms an increase in equity of the Golf Club, with a reduction in its liabilities and increase in its assets.

Capital Account funds (\$38,394), have been earmarked for various infrastructure projects currently underway. Cart Shed, Cart Paths, Carpark resurfacing, etc. This includes \$13,008 obtained in grants.

The NBS term deposit (\$40,000) was reinvested for a further 12 months.

### **The Financial Year:**

Covid 19 again had an impact on the Golf Club in the latter part of the financial year. However we were able to meet our obligations in the main, only seeking \$5,962 in wage subsidy/Resurgence payments to fully pay our staff.

What should be noted was the tremendous effort by Lyndal and Michaela, in promoting and operating the Club both during and in the immediate aftermath of Covid 19 restrictions, which resulted in increased green fee sales, beyond that budgeted, and so providing a better than expected bounce back.

The return to 'normal' golfing has also boosted financial membership numbers, which currently sit at 139. Nine better than this time last year.

Green fees across the year were approximately \$8,000 up on the previous year, with concession book sales doing not so well.

Introduction of new electronic payments methods have helped to boost those green fee sales, and keep the Club up to date with current payment practices.

The Canteen/Bar was another stand out performer. A new policy introduced during the year, has seen a stream lining of purchasing practices, and stock selection/levels. This has resulted in a more relevant selection of beverages to offer the membership. I would like to thank Lyndal, and Graham Pitman for their work in implementing the

Procedures, and their efforts have seen the profitability of the bar improve over the past 12 months.

Firewood sales were well ahead of last year. A thank you to those members for their efforts during the winter.

Over the past financial year \$13,008 in grants were obtained, with the specific purpose of assisting in the capital funding of various projects around the golf course. These grants are becoming harder to obtain, as more and more organisations seek to obtain a slice of the pie, and those grant providers become ever more selective in what causes they support. However we were successful in obtaining the following grants and I would like to thank those organisations for their support.

\$6000 was secured from Pub Charity Limited Grants, to assist with the building of the cart shed.

\$5000 was secured from New Zealand Community Trust, for the resealing of the car parking areas around the club house.

\$2008 was secured from Tasman District Council Community Grants to assist in the building of new tracks from Greenkeepers sheds on to the course and public access through Club carpark towards Brook View Heights.

An additional \$2000 was also secured from the Network Tasman Charitable Trust, to assist with the building of the cart shed, but these monies were received in this new financial year and so do not feature as part of this report.

The remaining costs of these projects are to be made from funds currently held in the Capital account as alluded to earlier in the report, and it is anticipated that the completion of aid projects will exhaust

these capital funds. However the projects when complete will provide atangible net worth and benefit to the club when finalised.

I would also make members aware of the immense generosity of certain members who show their support and commitment to the Club by way of financial donations/contributions above and beyond their subscriptions. This generosity always unseen by the majority, is as important as all the other volunteer work that goes on, in and around the Club. These donations have enabled the Club to purchase assets and services which otherwise we would not have.

The Kina Open remains financially, the largest single event undertaken by the Club. Last year's event generated a net profit of \$7000, which would not be possible without the contributions made by a host of members. From administration, sponsorship, and marketing, to event management, catering, and course preparation.

Employees' wages, account for 51% of the Club's expenditure, on the face of it a high percentage. However the contributions by all three in presenting, and managing the Club's assets, are in part the main reasons for the increased income and net profitability of the Golf Club this last 12 months. With increased expectations and targets for the forthcoming year I expect they will again prove valuable additions to the volunteers and officials at the Club.

Finally, I would like to the thank those, individuals, companies and organisations who have and continue too, support The Tasman Golf Club, through their sponsorship of Tournaments, Events, Tees, and Infrastructure.

Paul Heathcote  
Treasurer