



**The Tasman
Golf Club
Incorporated**

**85th Annual General
Meeting**

**Wed, 23 November 2022
(7.30pm @ 128 Cliff Road)**

MINUTES

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

Present: Ross, Stevenson, Al Ashcroft, Mike McGee, Pam Robert, Johnny Malcolm, Graham Pitman, Chris Jones, Eric Satherley, Alan Tait, Wayne Robinson, Jim Hunter, Derek Gray, Lyndal McMeeking, Colin Rush, Sarah Rush, Mike Howell, Martin Strange, Dawn Carter, Raewyn Bailey, Kate Lovell, John Perrin, Julz Lynch, Regan Chambers, Phil Hyatt

Apologies: Wayne Robinson, Derek Gray, David Coeland

Acceptance of apologies Moved: Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Mike McGee

Previous Minutes:

Jim Hunter called for the Minutes of the 24 November 2021 AGM be taken as read.

Moved: Eric Satherley/Seconded: Martin Strange

Accepted as a true & correct record.

Moved: Johnny Malcolm / Seconded: Pam Robert

Matters Arising:

None

Correspondence:

None

Reports:

Annual Financial Report and Balance Sheet was presented by Committee Member Mike McGee on behalf of Treasurer, Paul Heathcote (see attached).

No questions were raised.

*Report Adopted & Balance Sheet Accepted
Moved: Mike McGee / Seconded: Alan Tait.
Carried*

The President thanked Mike McGee for standing in for the Treasurer.

President's Report was presented by Jim Hunter (see attached).

Jim Hunter moved that the President's Report be accepted / Seconded: Johnny Malcolm

Subscriptions for the 2023 Year:

Jim Hunter handed over to Mike McGee who advised that the club Committee recommendation was the 2023 subscription base fee be increased by 10% & the capital levy remain unchanged at \$35 resulting in the full subscription being raised to \$575.00.

Mike McGee explained the rationale was to keep the increase in line with an anticipated increase in the CPI of up to 10%, and as a result the club's increasing expenses in the current climate.

Mike McGee moved that the proposed subscriptions for 2023 be accepted / Seconded: Al Ashcroft. 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

Lyndal McMeeking moved that the current Honoraria rates be accepted / Seconded: Al Ashcroft. Carried

Appointment of Club Patron:

Jim Hunter advised that Alan Tait had agreed to continue as Club Patron.

*Acceptance of this appointment Moved: Ross Stevenson / Seconded: Pam Robert.
Carried*

Appointment of Financial Compiler:

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

*Acceptance of the appointment Moved: Chris Jones / Seconded: Eric Satherley.
Carried*

Election of Officers of the Club:

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

One nomination received for President, Jim Hunter – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Johnny Malcolm.*

Mike McGee moved that nominations be closed / Seconded: Al Ashcroft.

Jim Hunter was duly elected President and re-assumed the chair of the meeting.

The following nominations were received for positions as Club Officers:

Vice-President: Martin Strange - *nominated from the floor by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Jim Hunter.*

Men's Club Captain: David Coeland - *nominated from the floor by Mike McGee / Seconded: Phil Hyatt.*

Women's Club Captain: Dawn Carter - *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Jim Hunter.*

Treasurer: Paul Heathcote - *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Graham Pitman.*

Secretary: Lyndal McMeeking – *nominated from the floor by Al Ashcroft / Seconded: Dawn Carter*

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

Graham Pitman – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Phil Hyatt*

Johnny Malcolm – *nominated by Ross Stevenson / Seconded: Mike Howell*

Colin Rush - *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Eric Satherley*

Mike McGee – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded: Phil Hyatt*

Kate Lovell – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded by Derek Gray*

Al Ashcroft – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / Seconded by Derek Gray*

Phil Hyatt – *nominated by Lyndal McMeeking / seconded by Jim Hunter*

The maximum number of Committee membership places was exceeded by one nominee. Phil Hyatt agreed to stand down as a nominee and the remaining nominees for Committee Members 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: Phil Hyatt*

Life Membership:

No new nominations have been received.

General Business:

Removal of the Backwards event from the Men's Programme was raised. This request was to be considered by the Match Committee

There being no further General Business the Meeting concluded at 8.10pm (President's & Treasurer's Reports contained below).

Annex 1 – President’s Report 2022 (01/10/21 – 30/09/22)

It’s been another busy and successful year here at the Tasman Golf Club.

At the time we met for last year’s AGM the country was about to enter the traffic light system. We were using vaccine passes, contact tracing and wearing masks. It all seems a lifetime ago now.

As I did last year, I want to thank the committee and especially Lyndal, who was on the front line, for working our way through all the protocols we adopted in order to keep everyone safe.

The Club’s success over the past year is a result of good governance and planning and I thank the committee, sub-committees, our Treasurer, staff and volunteers for their dedication.

In March this year I attended a meeting at Nelson Golf Club where it was announced that Tasman Golf Incorporated, which represents seven regions in the top of the South and West Coast, would be managed by Golf NZ in future. Part of Golf NZ’s plans was to hold regional forums to help clubs achieve their goals and the first one was held in July at Nelson Golf Club and attended by six of our committee members. The subject was strategic planning and six of us have met regularly since then to develop a strategic plan for our club. At the start of next year you will see a one year and a five year plan displayed in the clubhouse. We hope to gain buy-in from our members and inform you of where we’re heading in regard to plans and projects to improve the golfing experience for our members and visitors. Thanks to Lyndal, Mike McGee, Paul Heathcote, Derek Gray and Martin Strange for their time and effort.

The past 12 months has seen many projects completed. The lower car park was re-sealed and curbed. The new golf car shed was built and thanks to all involved in driving that project, especially Martin Strange and his son Liam. No doubt you will have noticed a 15 tonne digger moving a mountain of earth to create our new parking area for motor homes as well as improvements to the greenkeeper’s yard. Thanks to Barry Wastney from Freestyle Farms for organizing the digger and fuel at no cost to the club. I can’t thank Steve Beloe and Phil Hyatt enough for the massive effort they put in to see this project through. Thanks also to Paul Stringer for his assistance and Steve Radcliffe for his donation of culvert pipes and work with Phil Hyatt to complete yet another project which was the ridgeline walking track.

Other investments this year included a new golf car, a replacement roughs mower, a new hoverpro slope mower, and new umbrellas for the deck. Thanks to Lyndal for installing recycling bins around the course. These achievements have all been driven by Mike McGee and the grounds committee and the efforts of all our volunteers. The committee is planning a volunteers barbecue early in the new year to give thanks and recognition to you all. Tom and the grounds committee continue to keep the course in great shape. Special thanks to Phil Hyatt for his work on greens and tee box maintenance during Tom’s sick leave. Thanks also to Martin Strong for mowing. We really appreciate this work from someone who isn’t even a member of the club.

Moving on to the fun bit now which is golf that was played in the last year. The Kina Open

was another success this year and congratulations to Derek Gray for his win and Al for running a great tournament., This year's Open holds bad memories for me though after my fall, resulting in four broken ribs and an overnight stay in hospital. Thanks for your support and visits during my recovery. A tip...don't walk and text in the dark! A new Kina Open finance and sponsorship sub-committee was initiated by Graham Pitman and included Steve Lyons, Paul Heathcote, Chris Jones and Lyndal. Great work Graham and Co.

Ladies golf membership at Tasman has continued on its upward curve and they've had great success, ending 2021 on a high, winning just about every inter-club competition they entered. Dawn has proven herself an excellent ladies club captain and I wish her continued success. Many thanks to Lyndal who was covering the role before Dawn was elected. It's fantastic to see ladies golf flourishing in our club and was great to see such a large turnout by them for closing day last Saturday.

Apart from our staff, members, volunteers and visitors, our club would struggle to function without sponsorship and grants. Thank you to our Club's naming rights sponsor, NBS. Also to Motueka Superliquor as our Kina Open naming rights sponsor and all other sponsors of our Open. Thanks also to Total Golf Nelson, Fruitfed Supplies and our corporate sponsor Data Sentinel . Also sponsors of our tee boxes, practice nets, scorecards, fixtures book and twilight golf.

Great effort by Paul Heathcote and Mike McGee for securing grants from New Zealand Community Trust, Pub Charity, Network Tasman Charitable Trust and Tasman District Council. Thank you to these organizations for their generous support. Shout-out to Jill Gillan for donating an electric trundler which was auctioned and the club received the funds. Also to the other financial supporters and donors who have contributed anonymously - a big thank you.

Apart from those I've already mentioned, I would like to thank the following people.

- Everyone who volunteered their time to the club in the past year. Your work is greatly appreciated and we could not run the club without you.
- Our much valued staff members, Lyndal, Tom and Michaela.
- Martin Strange and crew for running two very successful quiz nights. It was a great initiative of Martin's to hold these at the club, resulting in a greater profit for us compared to being hosted by an outside venue.
- Lyndal and Graham Pitman for hosting a number of happy hours of a Friday afternoon during the summer months.
- Pete Dunn for varied mower and machinery repairs.
- Alan Tait and crew for removal of wilding pines.
- Colin Rush for mowing, weed spraying and general course work.
- Members who helped cut, load and deliver firewood.

- Johnny Malcolm, Paul Walters, Wayne Robinson and Neil Briden who've given many hours of mowing and general tidying around the course.

- Mike Howell for his work with the native plantings, designs for future paths and general course work

- Ross Stevenson for preparing the club's financial account

Sadly, this last year saw the passing of life member Burns O'Brien who was a member here for almost 60 years and also held the positions of greenkeeper, President and Men's Club Captain.

Neil Gilbertson also passed away and was a valued member for over 35 years. A popular member of the Friday morning social group, Don Wyllie, is also no longer with us.

A plaque was unveiled at the club for Shirley Heine in late October last year and was attended by members of her family, the Friday golfers, Lyndal and Myself.

Last but not least, I want to give a huge wrap to Al Ashcroft who has been our Men's Club Captain for the past 3 years. He really owned the job and was brilliant in running successful Kina Opens as well as convening and running our Sloan team. He is standing down so that he can spend more time with his family but will remain on the committee of which he is a valued member. Thanks for everything Al. Al will be succeeded by the double act of Johnny Malcolm and David Coeland and I know they will do us proud and be well supported.

In closing, I want to thank all members for your work, your faith in us and also your understanding as we navigated our way through a difficult year, firstly with Covid and secondly with a very wet Winter, resulting in many days of course closure. I can assure you that myself and all committee members have the best interests of the club at heart.

Happy golfing, good health and here's to another positive and fruitful year to come.

**Annual Financial Statement
Treasurer's Report
Tasman Golf Club
2022 AGM**

Paul HEATHCOTE
Treasurer

Introduction

This year's financial standings have been governed to a large extent by the current economic situation facing the country as a whole, with the continued fallout from Covid, to increasing interest rates, and uncertainty surrounding cost of living increases, all of which have impacted on the Golf Club over the past 12 months.

It is therefore pleasing to see that the Club has performed well, increasing turnover on the previous year, and exceeding forecasted budget. I would like to thank all those concerned in making the golf Club such an attractive proposition when it comes to choosing where to play golf, but in particular I thank those members of the Finance Committee, who have put time and effort into focusing on new, innovative and alternate revenue streams, so keeping pace with ever increasing costs.

Financial Statement Summary:

The Statement of financial Performance for the year ending 30 September 2022 confirms a positive trading year for the Golf Club.

Total Income of \$208,972.01 was offset by expenditure of \$170,392.21, and when allowing for depreciation (\$20,020.22), a net profit of \$19,587.08 was realised.

Income (\$208,972.01) was 13.6% higher than that of the previous year (\$180,396.63).

Expenditure (\$170,392.21) was 11.9% higher than that of the previous year (\$150,013.70).

At the conclusion of the financial year, the Clubs' NBS bank accounts, and Cash on Hand, held funds of \$38,989.85. Along with the \$40,000.00 held in a NBS term deposit.

The final Balance sheet confirms an increase in equity (Assets, Bank balances etc, less its liabilities)) of the Golf Club, however its liabilities did increase, due in main to the purchase of a golf cart.

The Financial Year:

Increases in costs have hit every aspect of the clubs operation this past year. Salary increases for its employees, fuel, maintenance/repairs for on course operations, bar/Catering and Insurances are but a few.

To tackle these, an increase in green-fees payable by visitors was introduced in June. I am pleased to say that this has not seen a reduction in visitor numbers but rather an increase, with record revenue resulting (\$61,211). A bar price raise was also implemented to meet increases in product costs, and this continues to be a profitable area of financial performance. (net \$23,017).

The funding of several projects has been undertaken this past year:

Repair and improvements to lower carpark area

The building of a new cart shed

Removal of pine trees on coastal cliffs

Upgrade to office facilities

The cost of these has been met by funds allocated for such expenditure, and a small grant. Therefore reserves remain intact (Term Deposit)

Next year sees the continuation of these sizeable projects. ie the upper carpark, cart paths, repairs to club house, and possibly investing in a second cart, and funds need to be available to meet these costs.

The return to 'normal' golfing has also boosted membership numbers, which currently sit at 155, and with increased Green fees as previously mentioned, we are starting to see the fruits of our labour in making the Club a destination.

The on course costs involved in producing a Golf course to be proud of continue to rise. This is an unfortunate and inevitable consequence of global and national supply and pricing. Fuel costs continue to rise, as do the chemicals and supplies needed to prepare the course. These are fundamental costs of doing business for a golf club and highlight the challenges ahead of increasing revenues to meet them.

The Year Ahead:

The main focus going into the next 12 months is building on the work currently being done to generate new revenue streams so as to minimise the costs to its membership.

An example of this has been the work undertaken by the Finance Committee re fundraising and sponsorship of the Kina Open, which saw great work in obtaining well over \$3,000 of free advertising on National Radio to promote the event, and the full allocation of sponsorship deals available by local companies. These were just 2 examples which enabled the event to achieve the same profit as the previous year with a much reduced entry field (Covid). A similar deal has been agreed in principle for this year's event.

Other areas currently being looked at are, increasing merchandise opportunities, keeping the club house open more than is currently possible, and innovative sponsorship deals.

Finally, I would like to 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.