

GEELONG DISTRICT VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

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Annual General Meeting

Curlewis Golf Club

Friday July 17 2026

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Minutes of AGM at Lara Golf Club

July 14 2025

AGM	Ross Duff opened AGM proceedings and welcomed members to the 2025 AGM
Apologies	Les Littleford, Denis Moore, Phillip Morgan, John Eddington, Gary Reid, Chris Astbury, Kevin Oldham, Russell Holmes, Paul Russell, Peter Thompson
Previous minutes	Circulated on website No issues were arising
President's report Ross Duff Full report on the website	Ross highlighted: Lonsdale Links pennant win The club champions The growth in lady membership
Captain's report Harvey Otter Full report on the website	Harvey highlighted: The GDVGA win in the Corangamite Challenge The strong performance of our members in the VVGA Championships The proposed return of Queens Park & Bannockburn to the 2026 fixture

Treasurer's report Leigh Edsall Full report on the website	Leigh highlighted: The sound financial position of the GDVGA We have endeavouring to maintain a cost neutral financial position At June 30 2025 \$28,124 in accounts
Election of Committee members	Nominations (@ July 14 2025) President – Ross Duff Vice President – Ted Stroomer Secretary – Ray Drady Captain – Harvey Otter Treasurer – Mark Nolan Vice Captain – Greg Bennett Committee 1. Robert Law 2. Paul Beighton 3. Currently there are 2 or 3 general committee vacancies As the number of vacancies matched the position available the above those members were duly elected. No ballot was required.
Special Resolutions	None
Questions from the floor	None

Meeting closed at 2.06pm July 14 2025

Ray Drady
Secretary GDVGA

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2026

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

Firstly, I would like to extend congratulations to Clifton Springs for their win over Lara in this year's Pennant Final in April. The match was a good contest after the final four teams only being decided after the last home and away contest of the season.

Our Grade Championships are still in progress with the third round to be played at Torquay in August. Individual winners will be recognised at our Annual end of year lunch 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 205 with now 25 women regularly playing.

I can only repeat my prior statements of thanks for their tireless work to allow the rest of the members to enjoy their Vet's Golf.

Thank you to our Treasurer Mark Nolan who has taken over the role this year and continues to steer our finances in the right direction.

Finally, thank you to all Members of the Association for your participation and enthusiasm, without your support the efforts of Committee would be in vain.

I look forward to another successful and enjoyable golfing year.

Enjoy your golf

Ross Duff
President GDVGA

CAPTAIN'S REPORT 2026

With great pleasure I present this Captains Report for the 2025 / 2026 season.

Passing of Garry Downes

We are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Garry Downes. A very active and proud member of the Geelong Vets for many years. Garry has been a club delegate for Ocean Grove and Barwon Valley, and a regular veterans pennant player for both clubs. On the Admin side Garry was our Secretary for four years and our President for one year. Garry provided great encouragement and guidance to me in my early years as your captain and I will miss his wit and humour. Rest in peace Garry until we meet again

Events program

With the completion of six events (50% of our program) the current situation is: The participation rate continues to remain strong. We have averaged 80 players per event this season.

We continue to work towards a cost neutral position in running our regular vents.

Up to June 30 we have 25 new members, and we have a total of 205 members, and although we are slightly down on past numbers, we have a very active list ensuring near capacity on all time sheets

The Corangamite Challenge this year will be at Anglesea in September and all veterans interested in playing please enter your name through the usual timesheet arrangements. We are hoping for 60 players to defend our title.

The Triangular Challenge in November will require 44 players, and will be hosted by Ballarat. More information will be available prior to the event.

The GDVGA are the current shield holders of both challenges, and a successful defence this year would be a highlight.

Lonsdale Links Veterans Cup

This years winner is Les Littleford from Clifton Springs. Les has been a long serving veteran member for many years, serving as delegate and pennant Captain and his success is well deserved.

Congratulations Les on a fine round of golf.

Annual Championships

With two of three rounds completed the Championships are at a very competitive stage -

In A - Grade the leader is Andrea Ray on 69 points with Barry Morrison in second place on 63 points

We may have our first Lady Champion

B - Grade leader is Paul Beighton on 71 points with Steve Finnigan in second place on 69 points

C - Grade leader is Greg Scott on 73 points with John Stevens in second place on 67 points

Pennant Report

The Pennant Competition was completely controlled by our Vice-Captain Greg Bennett and his hard work and suburb efforts made this competition very easy and most enjoyable for all concerned. Pennant captains were only a phone call away for answers to any concerns that may have arisen during the season. *A full report of the 2026 season is below.*

Greg, on a personal note my congratulations and sincere thanks for a magnificent job with the pennant season for 2026

All pennant captains have been notified on the current situation re “games played by all members” to assist in preparing their pennant sides for the 2027 season. Further updates will be available after each event in the second half of this year.

All dates for our events and pennant are finalised and ready for clubs to approve. There will again be 12 events and 2 challenges in the 2027 season. Pennant dates are set and planning is underway for 16 teams, however this will be adjusted to accommodate any alterations. As always, we will alter our program to fit the requests of host clubs.

GDVGA Wind - Cheaters

An arrangement has been made with Paragon Embroidery for the purchase of GDVGA Wind-cheaters. The cost is \$35 including our logo in two colours, Dark Grey and Dark Blue. They are made by JB Workwear (very good quality) and made to Australian Sizes.

All veterans interested in purchasing a wind-cheater please contact me with your details.

Appreciation

The GDVGA is in a very positive and sound position, our finances controlled by our Treasurer Mark Nolan could not be in better hands and our future is assured of continued success.

Our main engine room consisting of President Ross Duff, Secretary Ray Drady, Vice Captain Greg Bennett and our Treasurer Mark Nolan continue to perform all duties with the greatest of care and benefits for all veterans. They are well supported by committee men Ted Stroomer, Rob Law, and Peter Thompson, who have outstanding golfing knowledge and proving to be a benefit for all., The General Committee has performed all duties with sound reasoning and golfing knowledge for the enjoyment of all members. Comments from several members and club officials endorse the opinion that the Geelong Vets are a well run and a very friendly association to belong to.

Thank you all and continue to play good golf

Best Regards

Harvey Otter
Veterans Captain

Pennant Report – 2026

The successful 2026 GDVGA Pennant season was due to the participation of the players and support of the clubs within the district, and the committee would like to thank all these participants.

With fine weather for all except round 4 where players at East Geelong and Clifton Springs saw a very consistent rainfall for the whole of the matches.

After a short hiatus, Clifton Springs are back in the winner's circle, with a solid 3/2 win over Lara in the final held at Portarlington.

Clifton Springs 1	H'Cap	D/LT	Lara	H'Cap	Result
Brian Masters	19	Lost to	Greg Gebhart	19	3 / 2
Mark Manson	9	Defeated	Ralph Tulloch	14	5 / 4
Noel Colbert	8	Defeated	Glen Maguire	13	6 / 5
Malcolm Harford	7	Lost to	Phillip Morgan	11	5 / 3
Warren Binder	3	Defeated	Frank San Gil	10	5 / 4
Contest Won by:			Clifton Springs 1		3 / 2

The Semi Finals were both very close with Lara defeating Ocean Grove (3/2), who finished top in the Green Division and Clifton Springs defeating GDVGA (3/2), who finished top in the Gold Division. Just shows you only have to make the finals to have a strong chance.

During the pennant season, we had 128 players representing 11 clubs and the GDVGA team made up of players from clubs who could not field a full team.

To enable the timely publishing of results on the website I would like to thank the team representatives for the diligence in getting results into me after each event.

Once again thanks to all 128 participants, and the supporting clubs.

Greg Bennett - GDVGA Pennant Co-Ordinator.
Harvey Otter - GDVGA Captain.

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2026 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

EXPENDITURE

	\$		\$
Game Day Revenue	54,505.00	Green Fees/Catering	48,192.20
Membership Renewals – 25/26	4,175.00	Trophies & Engraving	104.18
New Member Joining Fee	1,215.00	GDVGA Team Entries	1,080.00
Interest on Term Deposit Investments	557.75	VVGA Affiliation	1,012.50
Cash Float Deposited	150.00	Post/Print/Stationary	313.73
		Laptop Purchases (2)	2,277.20
		Geelong Golf Group	4,416.00
		Captains Phone	588.40
		TYRO EFTPOS Fees	861.94
		Consumer Affairs	49.00
		Software Development	1,292.50
		Clothing & Embroidery	416.00
		Name Badges	58.77
		Pennant Expenses	89.65
		Cash Float	300.00
		Myrtleford 4BBB	295.00
		Term Deposit Round Up	284.09
		Misc./Sundries	0.00
Total Income	60,602.75	Total Expenditure	61,631.16

Operating Profit

Total Income	\$60,602.75
Less Expenses	\$61,631.16
Profit/ Loss	-\$1,028.41

Cash Balance brought Forward from 30/06/2025	\$27,464.16
Cash on Hand as at 30/06/2026	\$150
Operating Cash Balance as at 30/06/2026	\$8,435.98
Short Term Deposit Balance as at 30/06/2026	\$6,500
Long Term Deposit Balance as at 30/06/2026	\$12,000

Operating Account Change in balance – (01 July 2025 to 30 June 2026)

Balance as at 01 July 2025	\$9,464.39
Balance as at 30 June 2026	\$8,435.98
Movement +/-	\$1,028.41

ASSETS

Operating Account Balance	\$8,435.98
Short Term (8 Month Investment)	\$6,500.00
Long Term (12 Month Investment)	\$12,000.00
Cash Float	\$150.00
Stock on Hand as at 30/06/2026: -	
Golf Balls 11 dozen @ \$37.20 per dozen	\$409.20
Vouchers: -	
10 x \$60	\$600.00
8 x \$40	\$320.00
Shirts – 2 x \$32	\$64.00
Caps 2 x \$15	\$30.00
Refund owing from Queenscliff Golf Club	\$475.00
Total Assets on hand as at 30/06/2025	\$28,984.18

Notes: -

Whilst a loss of \$1,028.41 has been recorded this was essentially due to: -

- 2 Laptops purchased for a total cost of \$2,277.20 for Treasurer and Vice Captain, not included in assets per 100% depreciation method
- \$475 overpayment to QGC pending recovery
- \$409.20 worth of Golf balls on hand
- \$920 worth of Vouchers on hand

Term Deposit Round Ups were debits from Operating Account to Term Deposits to give even dollar balances

Long Term Deposit Interest is paid into Operating Account on Maturity

Refund from Queenscliff GC was due to an incorrect Invoice being paid for Game Day at QGC in May 2026, pending recovery

\$300 Cash Float was originally withdrawn but after a few Game Days it was determined that \$150 was sufficient with \$150 redeposited into the Operating Account

Prepared by Mark Nolan (Treasurer) _____ / ____/ ____

Certified by Ross Duff (President) _____ / ____/ ____

Certified by Ray Drady (Secretary) _____ / ____/ ____