



NEWCASTLE MASTER BUILDERS GOLF CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(Ref. AGM/2013)

DATE: Monday 5th August 2013 **TIME:** c. 5:00 pm

LOCATION: Newcastle Golf Club

ATTENDEES:

President ~	Gary Sheppard	Geoff Barnett	Peter Drury	Tom Michilis
Captain ~	Peter Di Prinzio	Barry Barrett	Don Eagar jnr	Neil Morrison
Vice Captain ~	Kev. Woodcock	Andrew Bartlett	Jon Henderson	Michael Nicholas
Secretary ~	Jon Heppell	Tony Blackmore	Russ Holliday	Michael Parker
Treasurer ~	Lynn Gray	Ken Blake	Benn Jolley	Colin Penfold
Membership ~	Neville Allsopp	Lou Buzai	Chris Jolley	Dennis Roy
	Ted Atchison	Paul Cardew	Ken Jolley	Len Solman
	Charles Atkin	Ben Chard	Terry Keelan	Ross Wilson
	Brian Atkins	Bill Collins	Ross Lewis	Troy Stonestreet
	Denis Barnett	Bill Cook	Jim Michilis	

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ITEM MINUTES ACTION

1 APOLOGIES

1.01 Rodney Brown, Craig Hutchinson, Chris Momsen, Peter Sutherland, Gary Wilson.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES (Meeting 04/2012 ~ 5th July 2012)

2.01 Proposed by Don Eagar jnr, seconded by Ross Lewis. accepted.

3 PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

3.01 The President thanks the **Trophy Sponsors** who are on board for 2013. They are:

Airview Aluminium Pty Ltd	Hanson Concrete	Newcastle Permanent
Australian Heritage Restorations	Hunter Star Mercedes	Redicrete (Concrete)
Aust. Truck & Bus Fin. Services	Hunter Valley Granite & Marble P/L	ReoWeld Pty Ltd
Bass Floor Co	IronBark Hill Wines	Rovert Lighting & Electrical
Beaumont Tiles	ITI Australia	Smith & Sons
Bradnams Windows & Doors	MBA Group Training	Tradelink
Brittons Timbers	MGA Insurance Brokers	Weathertex
Bunnings Trade Centres	Newcastle MBA	Winning Commercial Appliances

and Participating Pro Shops (sponsoring NTP's)

Charlestown	Muree	The Springs
Hawks Nest	Newcastle	The Vintage
Merewether	Pacific Dunes	Toronto
Morisset	Shortland Waters	Waratah

3.02 Sponsors are becoming very hard to find and we are extremely grateful to all of the above, who have provided us with the ability to run our events, provide golf day prizes and yearly prizes to the high standard we all enjoy. Once again thank you to our sponsors. Please keep them in mind when looking for the services they provide.

3.03 The implementation of managing our monthly events via our subscription to GolfLink has proven to be a success. The Tier 1 access to GolfLink allows us to set up an event, manage the event, while closing the competition gives us all placegetters and forwards results to GolfLink for handicapping.

3.04 Last year in August our annual Builders-v-Architects day succeeded in raising \$10,000 for Royal Institute of Deaf and Blind Children and Camp Quality in the Hunter. Thank you to all the sponsors on the day with Auction Items and Raffle prizes. Thanks goes to all the successful bidders in the auction, all who made donations on the day and all participants for making it a very successful day.

3.05 The committee has been working diligently through the business of Incorporation of the Golf Club. The process is very close to completion and I thank the committee for the time given out of their busy schedules to complete this task.

3.06 Thank you to Mr Simon Webber President of Newcastle MBA for fulfilling the position of Club Patron.

- 3.07 This year again saw a group from N MBA GC visit Coffs Harbour for the now annual event of the Blues-v-Maroons Golf Match at Bonville. Unfortunately the Maroons were victorious in the golf. Our thanks go out to Steve Bartlett from the Gold Coast Master Builders Golf Club for organising the 3 day event.
- 3.08 The fellowship and enjoyment had participating in our monthly events, special events and the National Tournament for the Hornibrook Cup is something we all look forward to. This year's coming Tournament will see games in Sydney at St Michaels, Liverpool GC & Macquarie Links.
- 3.09 Last but not least thank you to the committee over the last 12 months. Thanks to Peter Di Prinzie, Jon Heppell, Lynn Gray, Kevin Woodcock, Mark Connors and Phil Jones. Thanks to George Buckton for his help every month with the competition results. Also thank you to all our members for your participation in the last 12 months' events.

4 CAPTAIN'S REPORT

- 4.01 Not a lot changes each year with the format and golf clubs, but the efforts of our committee members are on going . Once again shot gun starts have proven to be a great success .The fellowship after golf has improved, numbers at our presentation have increased which has a positive effect on our sponsors.
- 4.02 The Golf clubs are to be thanked for their co operation and providing us with a well presented venue, the Pro shops and staff are also thanked for their assistance in starting the field and setting up golf carts and competitions.
- 4.03 Unfortunately I could not attend the Hornibrook Cup last year but as usual a great time was had by all who attended. I understand Newcastle did not win.
- 4.04 I would like to thank our sponsors this year, as the economic climate has been weak, we still had excellent support from all our long standing sponsors and a special vote of thanks to Ross Lewis MGA Insurance who picked up extra sponsorship during this year.
- 4.05 Sponsors need to be supported by our members, so if you need any services provided by any of our sponsors please let them know where you are connected with the N MBA GC.
- 4.06 Thanks to all our members for your support throughout the year and to all the committee members

5 SECRETARY'S REPORT

- 5.01 Thank you very much for the acceptance by you the members of the web-based event registration facility. A few members are still hesitant to embrace it, and I encourage them to seek some assistance in becoming familiar with a process that in reality is very easy. No internet expertise needed !!! Now that I'm busy back at work, the casual phone call registration is easily forgotten, and I'm just waiting for the day that a member is overlooked because of this.
- 5.02 I would like to add my thanks to the Sponsors that support us throughout the year, especially those long term supporters who have shown amazing loyalty, and to the newcomers showing initiative and goodwill at an economically difficult times. A note to members....when you contact these good sponsors, LET THEM KNOW it is through their exposure to N MBA GC members, visitors, families etc. How else can they determine the success of their investment ?
- 5.03 Committee meetings are still occurring every 2 months, and are well attended by the members, with attendance levels for all meetings consistent at 84%. Outside of these meetings however, your committee continues good work. Thanks to all of my fellow committee members for their ongoing efforts. In particular...Lynn Gray, thank you very much, especially for handling the green fees and the sartorial duties, to Mark Connors for keeping abreast of the sponsorship situation, and to Gary Sheppard for keeping Mark focussed.
- 5.04 I wish to acknowledge the very valuable contribution of Vice Captain Kevin Woodcock and his able assistant George Buckton for their efforts to set up the course for each match, and in the collection and processing of the score cards after each event. I'm sure that the best recognition that the club can offer then is assistance in the way the score cards are handed in. Every player should present an individual card, with the strokes or points totalled for both nines and overall, with the final score highlighted in the RH top corner. The card MUST show current handicap, the date, and be signed by both the player and the marker.
- 5.05 Recognition also to all the members, without whose interest and participation, the club wouldn't exist. You make the job of secretary both interesting, challenging and, with the occasional thank you or compliment, rewarding. We have an amazing group of fellows and it is always a pleasure playing golf and socialising with you.
- 5.06 Finally, please share your ideas for improvements to the club. There is always room for improvement, which is what we are all trying to achieve, so please feel encouraged to contribute what you think is a good idea.
I look forward to seeing all of you..... on a golf course..... somewhere..... soon.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- 6.01 The Financial Reports for 2012 – 2013 prepared by your Committee have been circulated to all financial members and your committee welcomes any questioning of the documents.
- 6.02 Attached to the Financial Reports is the Independent Assurance Practitioner's Review Report prepared by Club member Scott Norrish, Director of VBD Chartered Accountants.
- 6.03 On behalf of the Club, I extend our sincere thanks to Scott for his work as Honorary Accountant.
- 6.04 In the comments following (6.5 to 6.18) I have attempted to pre-empt questions that members may raise in relation to the Financial Reports.
- 6.05
- | Statement of Assets and Liabilities | Jul 2012 – Jun 2013 | Jul 2011 – Jun 2012 |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| ANZ Cheque Account | -154.52 | 28,705.58 |
| An amount of \$30,000 was transferred from the ANZ Cheque Account to the ANZ Online Saver Account as an interim measure prior to arranging deposit into a fixed deposit account at a higher interest rate. | | |
| ANZ Online Saver | 71,150.61 | 39,966.24 |
| As per comment above – current interest rate is 2.5%. | | |
| Newcastle Permanent BS Ltd | 25,524.11 | 24,193.47 |
| Twelve month term deposit maturing 26 March 2014 earning 4.1% per annum. | | |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Hornibrook 2012 | 545.45 | 12,475.54 |
| The remnant \$545.45 liability from Hornibrook 2012 is a payment made in 2012/2013 to NSW MB&E | | |
- 6.09
- | Statement of Income and Expenditure | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Income | | |
| Sponsorship | | |
| Hornibrook | 1,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| The Newcastle Master Builders Association Group Training and Personnel arm has reduced its contribution to the Hornibrook Event from \$2,000.00 to \$1,000.00 per annum. | | |
| Earned Revenues | | |
| Membership dues – Corporate | 2,263.11 | 4,290.45 |
| Corporate membership reduced from 33 in 2011 – 2012 to 27 in 2012 – 2013 and accounts for a portion of the differential. Another major contributor has been an increase in utilisation of Corporate credits by members. | | |
| Membership dues – individuals | 4,154.19 | 5,027.50 |
| The reduction in club membership fees from \$70 to \$50 primarily accounts for the differential. | | |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | 1,894.72 | 3,804.78 |
| This somewhat obscure line item is made up of income from various raffles, fees for friends and partners dinners, Charity Golf day income from novelty events and sale of items of the Club's uniform. It is traditionally a fluctuating item. | | |
| Operating Expenses | | |
| Green Fees | 21,464.54 | 27,018.74 |
| The replacement of the Kooindah Waters event with The Springs in the annual program substantially accounts for the reduced expenditure under this item coupled with a reduction in the average field size throughout the year. | | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | | |
| Dinner Expenses | 12,905.81 | 18,092.99 |
| The replacement of the Kooindah Waters event with The Springs in the annual program substantially accounts for the reduced expenditure under this item coupled with the deletion of dinner at the Morisset event. | | |

6.14	Donations	100.00	2,871.00
	These figures represent outgoing payments to various charities from the Miscellaneous Revenue item (detailed above).		
6.15	Team Uniform	350.00	10,588.29
	No wholesale issue of a Club Polo Shirt during the financial year is responsible for the substantial reduction in expenditure under this item.		
6.16	Transportation	2,068.19	4,710.00
	Coach hire for the Morisset event together with coach and boat hire for the 2011 – 2012 “Xmas in July” function at Tea Gardens accounts for the higher expenditure in the preceding financial year.		
6.17	Membership Dues – Organisation	880.00	0.00
	Fees to Golfink and to the Newcastle District Golf association account for the expenditure.		
6.18	Member Amenities	8,279.80	12,310.17
	Reduced “Happy Hour” expenditure accounts for the reduced expenditure.		
6.19	As in previous years, it is the Committee’s intent to continue to return funds to the members in the form of increased benefits and subsidies whilst at the same time being mindful of the need to retain sufficient funds to ensure successful conduct of the next Annual MBA Golf Tournament in Newcastle, scheduled for 2016.		
6.20	Members will note the substantial turnaround in net income (\$31,016.37) for 2012 – 2013 (\$20,066.24 profit) against 2011 – 2012 (\$10,950.13 loss). This result vindicates the various actions taken by your committee during the past financial year to arrest the erosion of the Club’s total equity.		

7 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE FOR 2012 ~ 2013

- 7.01 All Executive and Committee Member positions were declared vacant.
- 7.02 There were not sufficient nominations for the Executive and Committee to necessitate the conduct of a ballot. Nominations and N MBA membership majority criteria remain unchanged from 2012. The unopposed results are to be announced at the close of the meeting.

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 8.01 Annual Subscription ~ Committee recommendation for Annual Fees ~ \$50
Proposed committee **Seconded** Neville Allsopp **Duly carried** (show of hands)
- 8.02 Annual Corporate Fee ~ Committee recommendation for Annual Corporate Fees ~ \$550
Proposed committee **Seconded** Ross Lewis **Duly carried** (show of hands)

9 DECLARATION OF COMMITTEE FOR 2012 ~ 2013

9.01 Executive	nominations	result	Newcastle MBA Membership (current or former)
9.01.01 President	Gary Sheppard	unopposed	Gary Sheppard y
9.01.02 Captain	Peter Di Prinzio	unopposed	Peter Di Prinzio y
9.01.03 Secretary	Jon Heppell	unopposed	Jon Heppell y
9.02 Committee			
9.02.01 Treasurer	Lynn Gray	unopposed	Lynn Gray n
9.02.02 Committee (3)	Mark Connors	unopposed	Mark Connors y
	Phil Jones	unopposed	Phil Jones y
	Kevin Woodcock	unopposed	Kevin Woodcock y

MEETING CLOSED: c. 5:30 pm

NEXT MEETING: 51st AGM, Wed 4th August 2014 **VENUE:** Newcastle Golf Club

NOTES COMPILED: Gary Sheppard **MINUTES:** Jon Heppell

ATTACHMENTS: Financial Statements.