

**MINUTES OF THE WEST AVIAT GOLF CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
13<sup>h</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

**Meeting opened:** 5pm

**Present:** Greg St Jack (President), Leonie Cole (Secretary), Peter Kilgour (Treasurer), Roger Simm (Captain), Chris Lewis, Wayne Eberhard, Peter Bowditch, Terry Cooke, Mike Brook & Colin Cook

**Apologies:** None

**Acceptance of November 2023 minutes:**

Moved: Wayne Eberhard

Seconded: Peter Kilgour

Acceptance of minutes – Unanimous.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

Leonie informed the committee that Hillview has not finalised their Loyalty Card/Rewards Program for 2024 as yet.

**Secretary's report:**

Membership – as at 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 membership is 179. Member composition has changed: 147 Males, 13 Females & 19 Foreign Registered – two new members and two not renewing their membership for 2024. Twenty Six members have paid their fees for 2024.

**Treasurer's Report:**

**1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023:**

Opening Balance as at 1/1/23: \$60,478.03

Income 1/01/23 to 9/12/23: \$26,602.27      Expenditure 1/01/23 to 9/12/23      \$28,972.09

Total Funds on Hand as at 9/12/23: \$58,108.21

Moved: Chris Lewis

Seconded: Colin Cook

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report – Unanimous.

**Captain's Report – Roger Simm:**

The club championships were held over two Sundays in November. From the outset I would like to express my gratitude to all who organised this event whilst I enjoyed a holiday in the east. Leonie Cole was the central figure in all this planning and it is to her credit that the event was so successful. The idea to invite past members and club stalwarts was inspired. The breakfast on the first Sunday of the championships was a great success. It was great to see so many past and present members at the event. Everyone looked great in their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary shirts....another great job Leonie. Our golf was interrupted for a short time by a lightening warning, but this soon passed, and other than a few people failing to complete their round, we were able to get the event concluded.

The dinner afterwards was enjoyed by all and Peter Marshall's recollections from the early days of West Aviat were great to listen to. I certainly learned a lot about the club and its development to where it is today.

The second Sunday went off without a hitch and it was great to see a playoff for the club champion. My only concern was that we did not take into account that a woman might be in the playoff, and we should have used holes 10 and 9 rather than hole 1. This would have been fairer.

The level of financial support from our members this year was amazing. We had no trouble getting donors for all our novelty prizes on the first day – the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I would like to especially mention Kay James whose generous donation helped towards West Aviat giving every player a souvenir drink bottle.

The management at Hillview golf course were also great contributors/supporters and the West Aviat tee markers they installed were a great touch. Todd worked closely with us throughout the planning for this event and is a consistent supporter of our club.

Congratulations to all the winners in the various nett and gross categories. The Alf Casserly Club Person for 2023 was also awarded on the second day of the Championships. Congratulations to the recipient - Tom Mullins.

Again, I wish to thank everyone involved in the planning of this event and to especially congratulate Leonie for all her efforts. We are so lucky to have her.

### **Welfare Report:**

1. Greg Powell – has started chemo. Get Well card sent;
2. Rob Tolton – fell over at Hartfield and dislocated his elbow. Get Well card sent;
3. Michael Holly – had knee surgery. Get Well card sent;
4. Denzil Simeon – had a hip replacement but should be back soon;
5. Kris Gorman – had hernia op – Chris Lewis will send Get Well card;
6. Jim Peters – not travelling well. Has little strength.

### **General Business:**

#### **West Aviat Golf Club 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Championships:**

As Roger Simm had already presented a report for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Championships Leonie Cole only presented the acquittals for both events.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Total Income including donations, sponsorships, \$5 entry fee, raffles and auction of painting was \$6,481.00. Total Expenditure including two photo books, catering, prizes, raffle expenses and trophy was \$5,655.38. Therefore, the nett profit was \$825.62.

Second Day of Championships: Total income including entry fees, donations and raffles (including Marri Park raffle) was \$2,545.00. Total Expenditure including novelties, prizes and championship glasses was \$2,149.25. Nett profit was \$395.75.

Therefore, the overall nett profit for the two days of Championships was \$1,221.37. If any member would like to see these Acquittals please contact Leonie Cole.

### **Wind-up Function:**

Leonie Cole presented an acquittal and report. The overall loss for the function was \$414.80 which is considerably less than 2022 (around \$1,600). This was due to no subsidization of tickets and an extra \$5 added to cover the venue hire. Sixty eight tickets were sold but unfortunately around 6 to 8 were unable to attend due to covid/ill health. According to those that did attend the function went well although some commented on the food not being as good as the previous two years. Leonie thanked Rob Tolton and Kylie Dyer for their donations towards door prizes.

### **Loyalty Card/Rewards Program:**

Greg St Jack suggested that West Aviat submit a proposal to Hillview for consideration. This will be done as soon as possible.

**Summer & Winter Cup:**

Composition of Teams – should non-members be allowed to play and if so, should a team be able to win the relevant Cup as the club has a policy that non-members cannot win the major prize. To be discussed at January's meeting.

**AGM – 2024:**

Leonie advised the committee that the AGM will be on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024 after the Summer Cup. Notification will be sent to all members around January 25<sup>th</sup>. Nomination forms will be available from Leonie or the West Aviat office around this date.

**Items Pending:** None

**Next meeting:** 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Meeting Closed:** 5.40pm

**President:** Greg St Jack

**Secretary:** Leonie Cole