



## **VICTORIAN GOLF LEAGUE Inc.**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE RINGWOOD GOLF CLUB CLUBROOMS MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY 2016**

#### **AGENDA**

THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING WILL BE:-

1. To accept the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.
2. To receive the 2015 Annual Report as presented to the meeting.
3. To receive the 2015 financial report.
4. Guest speaker
5. Declare all Board and Golf Committee positions vacant.
6. Announce results of Board and Golf Committee elections.
7. To appoint Auditors for 2016.
8. To appoint a Director for League Golf Enterprises.
9. General Business:-
  - a. Any business of which written notice has been given prior to the meeting.
10. Meeting close.



He began to sell stock that was not moving using ebay for a year, which saw him then move into a store in Huntingdale, which was the beginning of the Golf Clearance Outlet stores.

Struggled to get support from local suppliers so developed overseas links and imported golfing supplies.

Next store opened up in Smith St, Fitzroy - led to other stores opening including Adelaide (since closed), Narre Warren, Melbourne city, Oakleigh (replacing Huntingdale store) and 1 store each in Qld and NSW.

He thanked the Board for the opportunity to sponsor the VGL and believed it beneficial to both organisations and re-iterated his continued support remembering his beginnings in the VGL family.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Colisimo for his attendance to our AGM and for the informative talk as well as his continued support to the Victorian Golf League.

### **ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT**

Presidents Report  
Juniors Report  
Seniors Report  
League Golf Enterprises Pty Ltd  
Golf Committee's Report

**Moved:** Dorset                      **Seconded:** Forest Hills  
*That the Annual Report as presented be adopted.*

**Motion Carried**

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM ANNUAL REPORT.**

- Question was raised querying the statement that clubs have a pathway to recommend rule changes. The Chairman stated the League survey clubs about event and pennant rules to gauge the need for change but also reiterated that all written requests relating to pennant/event rule changes or improvements are passed on the relevant Golf Committee to be considered at the annual review of rules.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The Financial Report was presented by the Treasurer Peter Ross.

**Moved** P. Ross                      **Seconded** G. Weaver  
*That the Financial Report as presented by the Executive Manager be adopted.*

**Motion Carried**

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE FINANCIAL REPORT**

- Denis Ryan, Craigieburn Willmott queried the figure of \$399,829.66 retained profits and why we are retaining profits. The terminology used could be misleading - our accounting firm will be contacted for a detailed explanation and perhaps a review of the terminology to be applied.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

The Chairman declared all positions on committee vacant.  
Nominations received were;

### **BOARD**

President

- Alex Johnson

Vice President

- Sheryn McInerney

Treasurer

- Peter Ross

Ordinary Members . 4 positions

- Joan Scott
- George Weaver
- Peter Kingshott

**WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE** . 4 positions

- Jan Hipgrave
- Dianne King

**MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE** . 4 positions

- Tim Edward
- Peter Frost
- Gregory Lewin

As there were no surplus nominations over positions all were elected to their nominated position.

## **RULE ALTERATION**

Proposed rule changes were corresponded to clubs for their consideration for the Annual General Meeting.

### **Preamble**

Rule 24.1(ii) . The need to have nomination signed by two member CLUBS of the League would act as a significant barrier for nominations to the Board and Golf Committees. The proposed change to have nomination signed by two members of any member club would remove the barriers and hopefully encourage more nominees.

**1) Motion: That Rule 24.1 is changed from:**

24 Election of officers and ordinary Board members

24.1 Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the League or as ordinary members of the Board must be:

- (i) made in writing, signed by two Member Clubs of the League and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination); and
- (ii) delivered to the Secretary of the League before a closing date, as advertised by the board, for nominations,

**To:**

24 Election of officers and ordinary Board members

24.1 Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the League or as ordinary members of the Board must be:

- (i) made in writing, signed by two **financial members of a Member Club** of the League and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination); and
- (ii) delivered to the Secretary of the League before a closing date, as advertised by the board, for nominations,

**Moved: P. Ross      Seconded: G. Weaver      Carried**

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

**Moved P. Ross      Seconded Riverside/Ess**  
*That Kingston Accounting and Taxation Services be appointed Auditors for 2015.*  
**Motion Carried**

**LEAGUE GOLF ENTERPRISES Pty Ltd**

**Election of Director by Council**

**Moved: Glen Waverley      Seconded: Centenary Park**  
*That Mr. Peter Kowalski of the Centenary Park Golf Club is elected Company Director for the year 2015*  
**Motion Carried**

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

There was no general business of which prior notice was given.

As there was no further Business, the President declared the **80<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Closed at 7.51 PM.**

The Chairman then invited Delegates to raise any issues without notice:-

1. **Altona Lakes** raised a previously raised question about if there was any consideration to having women's pennant on Sunday's to cater for working women members. Will be referred to the Women's Golf Committee.
2. The Chairman passed on condolences to the **Craigieburn Willmott** GC committee & members on the loss in tragic circumstances of committeemen and pennant member Kevin Skinner.
3. **Creekside** asked if a V.G.L. medal competition is available for women's competition. Will be referred to the Women's Golf Committee. Also asked if there had been any consideration to change the VGL Medal prize from current medallion to something else e.g tankard. Was advised that a recent survey of clubs had overwhelmingly responded to continuing with current medallion. Will be referred to the Men's Golf Committee.
4. **East Malvern** asked if consideration could be given to the Women's Champion of Champions competition being held on a weekend rather than on a weekday. Will be referred to the Women's Golf Committee.
5. **Glen Waverley** noted that during the recent Senior's pennant final at Amstel that VGL officials were reduced to roam the course in green-keepers vehicle rather than a more comfortable cart. He was advised that circumstances limited the number of carts available for players and the Committee will take measures to avoid next year.
6. **Lakeside** advised that the Melbourne Grand Prix will be run later than normal - approx 3 weeks later. Will have consequences with the playing of pennant matches. Will liaise with the VGL for the formation of the pennant draw.
7. **Mentone** asked if there were any rules disallowing the running of another competition during club championships for those not in the club championship - there are NOT.
8. **Olinda** thanked the VGL team for their efforts in the running of the pennant finals.
9. **Tirhatuan** stated that the rule change during the pennant season was late in the week and Secretary was unavailable and therefore not passed on to pennant manager. Asked if pennant managers could be included in notification. Will be referred to the Men's Golf Committee.

10. **Wattle Park** asked if survey respondents could be anonymous. Will be referred to the Men's Golf Committee.
11. **Wellington Links** Also thanked VGL Committee for the running of the pennant finals.
12. **Yarrambat Park** Asked about the online club rule accreditation exams and whether there was the facility to get feedback on questions got wrong. Chairman stated that this question had recently been asked and are in contact with Golf Victoria and will relay response to all clubs.
13. **Growling Frog** stated that two of their members had sat and passed club level rules accreditation some time ago but not received anything from Golf Victoria. Will be followed up by the Executive Manager.

**The President** thanked all delegates for attending and invited them to remain for refreshments.



**2015**

**Reports**



## **Presidents Report**

I welcome everyone here tonight, Life Members, Committeemen and Committee-women, delegates and other club officials, to the 81<sup>st</sup> AGM of the Victorian Golf League.

### **Rules Workshops and Examination sessions:**

- Early in the year Peter Kingshott hosted numerous workshops allowing participants the opportunity to undertake the examination online. Unfortunately due to Peters serious accident in July the sessions were postponed Thank you Peter for a great effort during 2015.

### **Affiliation Fees from both Golf Australia and Golf Victoria:**

- There appears to be a misconception amongst some member Clubs and subsequently the members that the League is responsible for the ever increasing affiliation fees. The Leagues fees have not been increased for many years since the motel has been running at a profit. In actual fact the fee was reduced in 2014 and once off reduction to offset a large Golf Victoria increase was provided in 2012.
- Golf Victoria has based the numbers of members at all Clubs in line with an audit of numbers registered with Golf Link. Hopefully Clubs continue the opportunity to review their membership base at every opportunity.

### **Increases in the numbers of Restricted (Social) Clubs affiliating with the League:**

- This continues to be the area of growth in the membership of the League and has assisted the bottom line in the financial statement.

### **BOARD AND GOLF COMMITTEES.**

I again thank all members of the Golf Committees and the Board for their hard work over the past twelve months. The conduct of the various events is the responsibility of the respective Golf Committees. Joan Scott and George Weaver together with their Committee members have ensured smooth running of all events. I congratulate all winners of these events.

Angela Madden joined the Board at the 2015 AGM. Thank you for your input Angela.

Unfortunately Joan Scott has been diagnosed with a serious illness in the past month and will be unavailable to participate for some time. The incoming Board will investigate a secondment during her absence.

## KEY POINT INDICATORS

The League continues with our Five (5) KPIs, and targeted ambitious goals in each.

- Support and Manage Growth of V.G.L. Membership
  - We recognized that financial stability was an imperative.
  - The League needs to stabilise our current membership and hopefully we can announce some new directions in regards to advertising. Articles in the Golf Victoria magazine have commenced in 2015.
  
- Foster & Protect the Game.
  - We recognized the need to communicate to our clubs. The use of emails has ensured that members are kept up to date, especially during the busy pennant seasons.
  - We needed to ensure our clubs could emulate best practices
  - Free CCAV membership Access to cheaper PIP Insurance
  - The League's relations with members, is in a great space..
  
- Manage V.G.L. Competitions
  - Pennant competitions have undergone continuous improvement
  - Attendance at events is under review as numbers have varied from event to event. Secretaries and Captains are asked to promote the events as much as possible. It is embarrassing to book events and numbers do not match the anticipated attendance.
  - Senior pennant is an outstanding success
  - Participation in Pennant and Events met our goals.
  
- Generate League Income
  - Motel - slow progress, but recent occupancy rates have doubled
  - Growth has generated considerable income.
  - All events and pennant run cost neutral
  - Still no Increase in League affiliation or bulk entry
  
- Promote the V.G.L. Brand:
  - Again we thank the Golf Clearance Outlet for their ongoing support and sponsorship.
  - Fabulous and informative website and Facebook access.
  - Phil Goad our Executive Manager continues to be a fantastic ambassador for V.G.L.

## Administration.

### Course Rating.

Course ratings remain suspended while Golf Australia is currently developing a statistical method to determine the scratch and slope rating of courses based on the scores returned on Golf Link.

Golf Australia has estimated that this method should be available within two years.

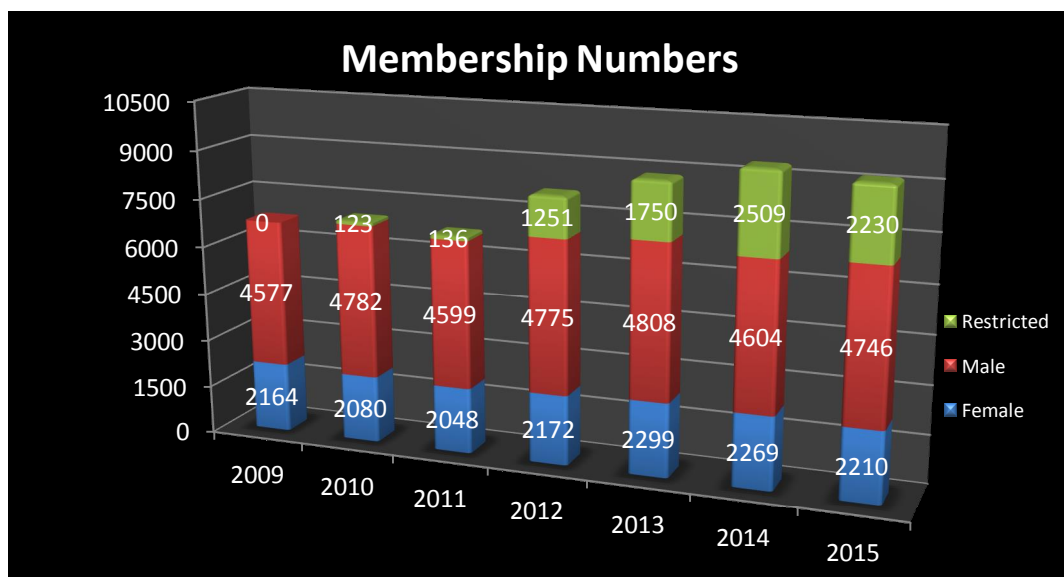
Re-ratings can be arranged if your course has any MAJOR change occur. If you require your course to be re-rated due to changes to your course please contact Phil Goad.

### Victorian Golf Foundation

The Victorian Golf League acknowledges the continuing support of the Victorian Golf Foundation with funding for the annual junior camp.



### Membership



## Playing numbers - events

<u>Men's Events</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Seniors 4BBB Championship		48	64	60	68
Mixed Foursomes	62	58	102	72	66
Junior Championship	26	32	30	14	8
Teams Event	112	113	112	104	111
A.R. Martin Open Championship	49	59	62	62	68
Presidents Trophy	66	53	54	44	46
Foursomes Championship	76	90	82	66	60
Seniors/Vets Championship	68	75	80	67	68
P.C.S.D. Event	107	111	111	94	106
Champion of Champions	25	26	30	28	26
Medal of Medallists	35	30	30	30	30
Overall	626	647	757	641	657
Increase/Decrease	-4.43%	3.35%	17.00%	-15.32%	2.50%

<u>Women's Events</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	
Joan Hope	71	70	101	84	
Foursomes	74	88	84	84	
4BBB	60	60			
Committee Invitational	91	96	108	83	
VGL Cup/Life Members	106	90	80	83	
Champ of Champs	57	55	54	51	
Overall	459	459	427	385	
Increase/Decrease			0.00%	-6.97%	-9.84%

## **Junior Report**

### **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The 2015 Junior Champion is Josh Gardiner from Centenary Park. The championship was held at Latrobe Golf Club in conjunction with their Geoff Ogilvy event.

We again thank the Board, members and staff of Latrobe G.C for allowing our event to be held simultaneously.

### **CAMP**

The 2015 camp was held at Mirboo North from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and was subsidized by a grant from the Victorian Golf Foundation.

The 32 attendees came from the metropolitan and country areas. Only two League Clubs were represented: Emerald and Riverside Essendon.

The professionals were:

Scott McDermott                      (National/Long Island)

Josh Lancaster                      (Torquay Sands)

Dylan Higgins                      (Bairnsdale)

We thank them for their participation.

The supervisors were Tim Edward and myself. George Weaver was scheduled but had to withdraw due to ill health. Peter Frost attended on the Thursday evening to present the session on golf rules to the group.

Again the behaviour of the boys was very good.

We again thank the committee and members of Mirboo North Golf Club for the use of their course and provision of the first class catering.

## Seniors Report

2015 was another really good year for our Seniors and Veterans golf comps. Playing at a lot of courses especially in Pennant where we had 7 Divisions and 28 clubs taking part including some clubs entering 2 teams.

There was quite a bit of travelling by some clubs and a bit of grumbling but all in all a good years golfing was had by all.

With the closing of some golf courses we are finding it harder and harder to aquire courses within a good costing fee to play at. So I am asking each and every club to have a look whether they can run one of our comps into the future.

We need your help and support.

### Senior's Pennant Results:-

David Graham Div -	<b>Australasian</b>	def	Emerald
Kel Nagle Div -	<b>Centenary Park White</b>	def	Ringwood Gold
Norman Von Nida Div -	<b>Brighton</b>	def	Glen Waverley 1
Peter Thomson Div -	<b>Royal Park</b>	def	Craigieburn Willmott
Jim Ferrier Div -	<b>Mt. Martha</b>	def	Lakeside
Bruce Crampton Div -	<b>Creekside</b>	def	Eastern Sward

### 4BBB Champions:

**Champions: Don Read & Jan Olszewski Lakeside 48 pts**

### Seniors Championship:-

<b>Champion.</b>	<b>Carl Schoonraad</b>	<b>Dorset</b>	<b>72</b>
Handicap.	Wesley Stiller	Lakeside	67 Nett

### Veterans Championship:-

<b>Champion.</b>	<b>Kevin Pearce</b>	<b>Brighton</b>	<b>75</b>
Handicap.	Kenneth Brown	Brighton	62 Nett

Thank you for another fantastic year.

# Golf Committee's Report

## WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

### PENNANT

There were 36 teams from 23 Clubs entered in the Pennant competition which was played using handicaps. Teams were divided into five grades - two zones for each of grades A to D and one zone for E Grade. The finals were played at Werribee Park on April 27. The introduction of the Results Vault system occurred with the intent that clubs would in future years be responsible for the input of pennant results to help reduce the administrative function of posting/faxing result sheets to head office. The system will allow for quicker viewing of results as well as providing statistics to both the club and players.

The year's results were:-

#### **A Grade**

**East Bentleigh YWCA** defeated **Yarra Bend Ladies**

#### **B Grade**

**Lakeside** defeated **Tirhatuan**

#### **C Grade**

**Yarrambat Park 1** defeated **Ivanhoe 2**

#### **D Grade**

**Yarrambat Park 2** defeated **Malvern Park**

#### **E Grade**

**Ivanhoe 3** defeated **Glen Waverley 2**

### **EVENTS**

Six events were held during the year. Attendances at these events were 10% down on the previous year and the lack of numbers is of concern to my Committee. Our aim is to provide competition on very good courses at the lowest cost possible, a task that becomes more difficult each year.

The year's results were:-

#### ➤ **Joan Hope Memorial Salvagers**

'A' Grade - Angela Madden, Normanby Park 40pts

'B' Grade - Anita Roper, Lakeside 34pts c/b

➤ **Foursomes Championship**

Overall: Chris and Jennifer Jones, East Malvern 100

Nett: Bernadine Maloney and Margaret Scott, Glen Waverley 80

➤ **Committee Invitational**

Division A: Angela Madden Normanby Park 41pts

Division B: Carol Pearson Centenary Park 36 pts

Irish Teams: Jan Selway (Yarra Bend), Barbara Finighan (Tirhatuan),  
Jenny Thomas (Malvern Park) and Judy Hay (Riverside/Ess). 89 pts

➤ **VGL Cup**

Oakleigh Ladies

Bernadette McGrath, Linda Vincent, Anita Newton

➤ **Life Members Trophy**

A Grade: Kerry Baxter, Normanby Park 34 pts

B Grade: Pamela Boulton, Glen Waverley 31 pts

C Grade: Dot George, Sandringham 32 pts

➤ **Champion of Champions**

Champion of Champions: Kerry Baxter, Normanby Park 80

Minor Champion: Anne O'Brien, Riverside/Ess 98

League Champion: Deborah Dohnt, Wattle Park Ladies 93

League Champion, Nett: Julie Edwards, Riverview 70 nett

I would like to thank the members of the committee, Laraine Lierse, Jan Hipgrave, Dianne King and Marion Brown for their willing work during events and Pennant. I would also like to thank my fellow board members, for their help and Phil Goad for his great support.



## MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

2015 saw the introduction of the "Results Vault" system use for the entry of pennant results. This system is already in use for Golf Victoria pennant and allows clubs to enter results via the internet rather than sending into the League office. The system allows for more comprehensive result information and historical statistical information for both club and players. In 2015 results were still sent into the League office for input to trial system. It is the intent that clubs will be responsible for inputting results in system directly in 2016 and the responsibility for accurate reporting will be with the clubs.

A Pennant Managers meeting has been introduced prior to the season to provide information via a power-point presentation. This meeting highlights to managers both problem areas of the past and new procedures / rule changes required for the new season. These meetings will continue to be held in future years.

The Committee continues to hold its annual July weekend meeting at the 1st Tee Motel at Mirboo North to construct the next year's pennant draw as well as reviewing all rules for both pennant and events. No survey was conducted this year and few changes were made to rules other than for the introduction of the Results Vault system.

We do welcome any feedback for pennant and events. (Prior to mid July).

Event numbers for 2015 were 2% up on the previous year and while the trend of decreasing numbers has ceased, numbers are well down on years past. It is imperative that clubs support the V.G.L. with the promotion of V.G.L. events to its members in every way possible including websites, newsletters, emails etc

I would like to thank all members of the Men's Golf Committee, Tim Edward, Peter Frost, Greg Lewin and Craig Rissinich, plus Junior's coordinator Alex Johnson and Rules coordinator Peter Kingshott and Barry Pollock pennant finals for the efforts and hard work over the last 12 months. Their time is voluntary and would hope that all members recognize that without them these competitions would not possible.

### Event Results

#### **PENNANT:-**

#### **Scratch:**

Division 1 - <b>Lakeside</b>	defeated	Dorset
Division 2 - <b>Altona Lakes</b>	defeated	Growling Frog
Division 3 - <b>Mandalay</b>	defeated	Sandringham

## Handicap

Division 1 -	<b>Centenary Park</b>	defeated	Australasian
Division 2 -	<b>Riverside/Ess</b>	defeated	Mt Martha
Division 3 -	<b>Camberwell</b>	defeated	Lakeside
Division 4 -	<b>Yarraview</b>	defeated	Olinda
Division 5 -	<b>Sandringham</b>	defeated	Craigieburn Willmott
Division 6 -	<b>Wellington Links</b>	defeated	Glen Waverley
Division 7 -	<b>Eastern Sward</b>	defeated	Emerald
Division 8 -	<b>Royal Park</b>	defeated	Wattle Park
Division 9	<b>Mandalay</b>	defeated	Northcote Gold

### ➤ Mixed Foursomes

Championship	John Spencer & Jaynelle Wilcox	(Centenary Park)	Gross 79
Handicap	Bernadine Maloney & Russell Waymouth	(Glen Waverley)	Nett 67

### ➤ Teams Event:

Team .	Australasian	121 pts
Best Individual	Steven Lynch (Australasian)	44 pts

### ➤ A.R. Martin (Open Championship):

Championship	Adam Spink	Lakeside	Gross 70
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### ➤ President's Trophy:

Winner	Paul Chodziesner	Glen Waverley	Gross 84
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### ➤ Alan Toy Trophy:

Winner	Tim Venten	Olinda	Nett 69
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### ➤ Open Foursomes:

Championship	Brendon Waters & Henry Clayton	Lakeside	Gross 79
Handicap	David Williams & Anthony Fielding	Elsternwick Park	Nett 72 1/2

### ➤ P.C.S.C. Day:

President\$	Paul Storey	Tirhatuan	36 pts c/b
Captain\$	David Lindrea	Craigieburn W'mott	38 pts
Secretary\$	Matthew Broadbent	Riverview	39 pts
Delegates\$	Jeff Smith	Olinda	40 pts c/b
Ladies	Sharon Cousins	Ringwood	35 pts

### ➤ Medallist of Medallist's:

Medallist	Chris Sutherland	Wattle Park	Nett 69
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### ➤ Champion of Champions:

Champion	Phil Tomal	Westgate	Gross 78
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**LEAGUE GOLF ENTERPRISES PTY. LTD.**  
**ABN 87 071 300 304**  
**REPORT 2015**

This financial year saw the motel income increase by \$1,900 from the 2013-2014 year. Group bookings for the Golf Packages increased by \$6,800 over the previous year. There was a slight increase of about \$1,000 net income for the last financial year.

Expenses included the purchase of new windows reinstating areas affected by the removal of old air conditioners. In addition, during 2015 the TVs in the rooms commenced being upgraded to the larger 32in, this will continue into the 2016 financial year.

The directors reviewed the motel room rates and golf package rates and approved slight increases to commence during 2016.

As the directors have indicated, if Clubs and Social Clubs keep using the motel for their weekdays and weekend trips the result will assist the VGL to keep the fees down. It is good to see that Clubs and Groups are returning each year. Currently the motel occupancy average so far for 2015-2016 is around 29.5%.

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The Company %League Golf Enterprises Pty. Ltd+is registered with Corporate Affairs to conduct the business of operation the Motel at Lot 19 Galvins Road, Mirboo North under the trading name of the 1st Tee Motel.

The Directors of the League Golf Enterprises up to the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Victorian Golf League Inc. to be held on Monday 23rd May 2016 are:-

Managing Director	-	Mr Peter Kingshott
Director	-	Mr Alex Johnson
Director	-	Mr Peter Ross
Director	-	Mr Peter Kowalski
Company Secretary	-	Mr Peter Ross

The Company has traded solvent for the 2014- 2015 financial year.

In addition the company pays to the Victorian Golf League Inc. a Management Fee as determined by the Board of the League.

The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Reports for 2014-2015 are presented for the Victorian Golf League Annual Report.

Peter ROSS                      Company Secretary.

## Nominations for Board and Golf Committee's

Nominations as follows;

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