

**LANE COVE COUNTRY CLUB LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE ON
MONDAY 24th OCTOBER 2016**

The Meeting opened at 7.45 pm

In Attendance

31 Golfing & Social Members signed the Attendance Register being a quorum as follows:

James Anderson	Maureen Dunn	Michael Meade	Michael Smith
Ralph Bertinetti	John Erasmus	Alan Moss	Bob Staley
Doug Cameron	Robyn Glover	John Notley	Greg Stephenson
Neil Cooper	Joanne Hannay	Helen Prentice	Jackie Sun
Andrew Corish	Ron Jeffrey	Susan Ridd	Margaret Tanner
Monica Cowper	Janet Lean	Jan Sadler	Nic Walser
Marghanita da Cruz	Andrew Limmer	Ralph Sadler	Joan Weine
Brian Doherty	Stuart McDonald	Robyn Seale	

Apologies

Apologies were received from 12 members as follows:

Margot Anderson	Ian Butters	Rosemary Hurford'	Evie Nikellys
Carolyn Biggs	Lorraine Carnemolla	Robyn McElvenny	Nicki Thorpe
Richard Biggs	Frank Hurford	Vanna Mutton	Graham Webster

Welcome

The President, Michael Meade opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending including Gary Day, our auditor. He also expressed a special welcome to those Life Members present – Helen Prentice, Ron Jeffrey.

He enquired if all attendees had signed in for the meeting at the entrance to the auditorium and asked if there were any further apologies other than those listed on the sheet at the entrance to the auditorium.

Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting held on Monday 26 October 2015

The Minutes of the 2015 Annual General meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read. Moved by Jan Sadler seconded by Joan Weine. The Minutes were signed by Michael Meade as a true copy.

Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arising.

President's Report

In referring to his report Michael Meade took the opportunity to give a summary of his report focusing on the major achievements over the past year and the difficulties the Board has had to manage in various areas. He expressed thanks of the members for the huge amount of work done by volunteers. Without the volunteers our Club would struggle to operate and not be financially viable he said.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Staley in presenting the accounts responded to some questions the first being the expenses in regard to poker machine operations. The Fairway 9 debt which he advised at the auditor's suggestion has been fully written off and to pursue the debt further would be an additional cost to members' funds.

John Notley asked in regard to membership subscriptions of \$65,780 if the amount paid to Council for our green fees could also be shown separately. Bob Staley advised his comment noted.

Moved Greg Stephenson seconded Helen Prentice that the accounts for the 2015/2016 financial year be accepted. Passed unanimously.

Election of Officers

The President advised the following nominations have been received from Maureen Dunn, Alan Moss, Robyn Seale and Stuart McDonald. He further advised that due to four of the directors not standing, including himself there are vacancies and called for nominations from the floor. None were received so then advised as per Rule 55f of the Club's Constitution the new Board are able to fill these positions as casual vacancies with those people so appointed holding office until the conclusion of the following Annual General Meeting.

Treasurer: Stuart McDonald was declared Treasurer

Directors: Robyn Seale, Secretary/Director, and Alan Moss and Maureen Dunn Directors had nominated prior to the AGM and were declared elected.

Michael Meade then informed the meeting he would be happy to remain as President on a temporary basis until a replacement can be found.

Auditors

Moved by Helen Prentice seconded Margaret Tanner that the existing auditors, Harley Russell and Day, be reappointed for the following year. Passed unanimously

Patron of the Club

Moved Greg Stephenson seconded Andrew Corish that the Mayor of Lane Cove Council, Councilor Deborah Hutchens continue as Patron of the Club. Passed unanimously

Directors' Expenses

It was moved Hamish Anderson seconded Doug Cameron that Directors Expenses be approved, the amount of which were not to exceed \$2000. It was stated that no claims for Directors' Expenses had been made in the last 12 years. Passed unanimously

Michael Meade called for any questions from the floor.

Nic Walser asked if carts were introduced to the Club if storage facilities will be provided. Michael Meade responded advising carts are part of ongoing matters yet to be resolved with Council and the Board will continue to push for these to be allowed. If approved then the carts would be owned by members and stored off site. Ralph Sadler expressed disappointment at the number of directors standing down after such a short period of time on the Board and the lack of nominations to fill these positions.

Neil Cooper, a social member, had questions regarding the Friday night music and the falling numbers and lack of a resident caterer. Michael Meade and Robyn Seale both responded advising the Board continue to look for a caterer who is prepared to commit even though numbers can't be guaranteed.

Mention was made of the possibility of patrons having to commit and book for dinner prior so it becomes a viable proposition for any caterer. Regarding falling numbers Neil Cooper suggested more marketing could be needed and the possibility of approaching dance schools in the areas. Michael Meade advised the new signage at the River Road entrance should assist and took on board Neil's other comments.

Regarding take away catering, John Erasmus suggested Menu Log as a possibility which covers a number of restaurants in the surrounding area.

Greg Stephenson suggested providing list of upcoming artists for Friday night attendees. Greg also advised a customer on Friday night has a restaurant in Epping and Lane Cove and Greg had put menu in Michael Meade's pigeon hole at the Club. Michael Meade asked Greg to have the restaurateur contact Kent Lipman.

Marghanita da Cruz suggested forming a committee of both golfing and social members to promote Friday nights could be a possibility. Neil Cooper would be keen to be involved. The Board agreed to this suggestion.

Jan Sadler spoke of the wonderful job Michael Meade has done as President in so many ways over the past year and stated it would be a shame if he stood down after such a successful period in the role.

Jackie Sun spoke on behalf of the meeting in expressing appreciation to the Board for the role they have filled in an obviously difficult year on a number of fronts.

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.40pm with the President inviting those present to enjoy refreshments provided by the Board.

Signed as a correct record

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President

Date