

# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Friday 30 August 2024**

**at Royal Queensland Golf Club**

**Centenary Library 1.30 pm**

**Present :** Roll of Attendees attached

**Apologies :** Arthur O'Shea, Chris Cooper (joined at 2.04 pm) Charlie Earp, Peter Egan, Ross Haslam, Doug Morel, Michael Akes

**1.Minutes** of the last AGM on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 reviewed and agreed that they represent a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Bishop and seconded by Boydell.

## **2.Presidents Report**

President's Report was tabled and accepted and attached to these minutes. Proposed by W.Boydell and seconded by P. Akes.

The President made special note of changes and upgrades to the HGQ Website of Golf Genius. Thank you to Henry Akes for his contribution. The President acknowledged that Greg Mellifont was a new and valued member of the Management Committee. He made special mention of Philip Akes, Ross Haslam , Bruce Collins, Ross Bishop, Roger Gibson and Wally Boydell for their contributions during the year. There were several member who had competed in Interstate and International events.

## **3.Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer's Report was tabled and accepted and attached to these Minutes proposed by P.Akes and seconded by W.Boydell.

The Treasurer reported a Loss of \$2,853.67 for the year ending 30/06/2024. As has been previously reported, the accounts are now on an Accrual Accounting method. Previously it was on a Cash basis which altered the true position of the Profit& Loss at 30/06/2024. 2024 included \$2,100 of 2023 expenses as well as a \$400 stock writroff.

He also reported a decline in membership numbers from 63 in 2023 to 50 in this financial year. David Jones nominated to follow up those past members .

A suggested Annual Membership increase of \$20

## **4 Management Committee Nominations**

The following members were nominated, accepted and appointed. Proposed P.Akes seconded D. Jones

Greg Mellifont

Ross Bishop

Wally Boydell

Bruce Collins

The following members were nominated, accepted and appointed

#### **5.Nomination of President, Secretary and Treasurer**

The following members were nominated, accepted and appointed: Proposed by W. Boydell ,  
Seconded by R. Bishop

President: Rob King-Scott

Secretary; Phillip Akes

Treasurer: Roger Gibson

#### **6 General Business**

The Arthur O'Shea Trophy will become the Founders Day 18 hole Sunday Competition on 10 th November (date to be confirmed by RQ golf dept). A fourball event with a miniature trophy to be presented to the Winner.

There will be three x 18-hole Annual Competitions being Von Nida, Qld Championship {Sunday only) and Foursomes. The 2024 Championship had low numbers, as it was probably the wrong time of the year. To be reviewed.

Roger Gibson has organised the Set Comp to be at Indooroopilly GC.

The RQGC 2024 Carnegie Clark Hickory Competition was disappointing, and the President will administer in the future.

Kingaroy Golf Club have invited HGQ to participate in their Centenary Anniversary celebrations in June 2025.

There are several Interstate and International Hickory Events during the next year will some member entering. We wish them well. NSW Hickory Golf have self-nominated as a National Administrator of a Competitions Calendar.

Close of Meeting. Being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.24 pm

# HICKORY GOLFERS QUEENSLAND INC.

## 2024 President's Report

*Last year we made significant changes to the way we conducted our events with the use of the Golf Genius app. Over the last year we have incorporated Golf Genius into our web page with the assistance of Henry Akes. Thank you Henry.*

*The changes were necessary to ensure the webpage's future viability as the web page developer no longer supports the platform on which the website is running.*

*Stage 1 changes commenced with the merger of the Golf Genius app into the web site. It was necessary to remove excessive links and simplify navigation. An easier schedule of event layout has been created.*

*Once members had familiarised themselves with the app it has run smoothly making it a lot easier for Secretary/Captain Akes. Events are set up well in advance and opened automatically according to a timetable. Following completion of the event results are automatically correlated as are "player of the year" points.*

*Future changes will start with Stage 2 of website optimisation which will include further refinement of the layout and navigation to create a 'flat' website structure to increase usability. Optimise members links section with relevant details for paying comp fee, paying membership fees, lookup results & bookings. Stage 3 of website optimisation would include transfer to current generation website platform, the movement of all backend management to Golf Genius so that the website will become a front facing information source for all members and the general public.*

*Our first event for the 2023-2024 year was the Norman Von Nida Trophy held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 in conjunction with our Christmas dinner. There were 18 participants with Dr Doug Morel prevailing with a score of 39 points.*

*At the dinner Bruce Collins was awarded Player of the Year for the third time running. An extraordinary achievement for a very consistent and skilful hickory player.*

*Once again, in March this year, a contingent of HGQ golfers travelled to New Zealand to play in the 2024 New Zealand Hickory Open. I joined them, which is perhaps the reason why the results were not as good as the previous year. Unfortunately, we lost the ANZAC Flask. Nevertheless, it was a great event and one I highly recommend to members. Next year it will be held at the end of January 2025.*

*This year our State Championship was held in on Sunday 21 and Monday 22 April. It was not a good time as it clashed with club events, pennants, school holidays and other events. Having said that nothing should be taken away from the winner David Mansfield who prevailed not only over the field but also the appalling weather conditions. Winner of the net was Peter Kyffin a new member who hit the ground running.*

*The Management Committee has considered reducing the championship to an 18 hole event as finding a course prepared to hold our event over the weekend at a reasonable price is extremely difficult. An alternative would be to hold the event over a longer period say Sundays a week apart. That would discourage visitors from interstate and overseas. I would like to hear members views on what we should do next year.*

*The State Foursomes Championship was played on 28 June 2023, which Chris Cooper and I won with a one over par 74 net 67. Winners of the best net were last year's winners Bradley Tatnell and Ilija Soldan with a net 74.*

*During the year, Philip Akes and I had several zoom meetings with our southern counterparts. Discussions focused more on their interests relating to golf heritage rather than the playing of hickory golf. However, there were discussions about the calendar for future years to avoid state events dates clashing and clashes with some international events.*

*Greg Mellifont has been instrumental in promoting hickory golf to new comers at the Brisbane Golf Club. Under the banner of "Lets play hickory", four Sunday events were programmed for 2024 with very reasonable green fees. I am delighted to announce that Greg has agreed to join the Management Committee for 2024 - 2025 and will be a valuable addition.*

*As our Association is heavily dominated by RQ members, not all of whom are prepared to travel from RQ, it is still difficult to get the same numbers at a monthly event at BGC. This year we are holding our September monthly event at Indooroopilly Golf Club on their new nine which I am told is friendly to hickory golfers! I hope members take the opportunity to play in this event.*

*This year we introduced the "Arthur O'Shea Invitational" to celebrate Arthur's ninetieth birthday. Played as a 4BBB Stableford, on a Sunday afternoon, over 18 holes it was a great success. Won by Ross Haslam and Peter Egan with a phenomenal score of 56 points it will be hard to beat by future contestants. Mervyn Ross and Chris Cooper, who probably thought they had won the event, came second with 44 points.*

*Our events have been regularly attended by two ladies Robyn Wilson and Diana Charlton. On occasions they have been joined Kim Storie and Lindy Armisden. We will continue to promote hickory golf to the ladies as both Robyn and Di will attest to the enjoyment of the whole experience.*

*Our events would not be as successful without the tireless assistance of a number of people.*

*Philip Akes as Secretary/Captain continues to make it very easy for me to fill the role of President. Philip also undertakes the role of Captain and arranges all prizes for monthly events and our major tournaments. These are subsidised by volunteer trophy donor monetary contributions all administered by Philip. Wally Boydell has acted as assistant secretary. Ross Haslam has continued to be active in producing our perpetual trophies. My thanks to those gentlemen.*

*Thanks, also to Bruce Collins for his continued contribution in the creation of posters, wine labels and other artwork.*

*Thank you to Ross Bishop for setting up the course each month and being our Director of Golf.*

*I would like to thank Sean Dobson General Manager of Royal Queensland Golf Club for showing interest in and supporting hickory golf. Sean has initiated the promotion of hickory golf on the Club's web page and on the clubhouse screens as well as in the Club's newsletter, the Royal Mail*

*Finally, I thank Steve Rhind, Director of Golf at RQ and his staff in the pro-shop for their assistance during the year. Also, Adam, Peter, Issac and the bar staff for looking after us après golf.*

*Last year I posed the rhetorical question "What of the future of hickory golf?"*

*Well, it is growing in popularity both internationally and locally. This year the inaugural Chines Hickory Open is scheduled to be played in November 11 to 14 this year at the Hidden Grace Golf Club in Shenzhen. Japan will be hosting its championship together with the Asia Pacific Hickory Championship in Tokyo in mid-May 2025 and, of course, there is the New Zealand Championship in January/February 2025. If members are interested I have the details.*

**ROB KING-SCOTT**

**30 August 2024**

Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc.

Financial Report for year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024



**Balance Sheet**  
**Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc**  
**As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

2023	Assets – Long term	Note	\$	2024
195	Tee markers			195.20
350	Trophy – NVN			350.00
247	Trophy – QHSC			247.00
450	Trophy – QHSFC			450.00
1,940	Website			1,940.00
0	Hickory bags and shafts	1		1,622.33
<b>Assets – Current</b>				
10,510	Cash at Bank			8561.63
875	Stock – New member joining items	2		351.81
774	Stock – Prizes Wine			462.25
626	Stock – Prizes Balls			203.58
<u>81</u>	Prepaid Fees	3		<u>130.00</u>
16,048	<b>Total Assets</b>			<b>14,513.80</b>
<b>Liabilities – Current</b>				
0	Prepaid Membership fees	4		1099.05
<u>0</u>	Accounts Payable	5		<u>220.00</u>
<b>16,048</b>	<b>Net Assets</b>			<b>\$13,194.75</b>
<b>Equity</b>				
13,234	Retained Earnings (prior year)			16,048.42
<u>2,814</u>	Net Profit/(loss)			<u>(2,853.67)</u>
<b>16,048</b>	<b>Total equity</b>			<b>\$13,194.75</b>

Profit and Loss  
Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc  
As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

2023	Income Membership	Note		\$2024
653	Membership Joining Fees			294.00
(246)	Less: Costs	6		(523.32)
<u>2,350</u>	Membership annual fees			<u>3300.00</u>
2,757	Total Income – membership			\$3070.68
2023	Income Events	Note	\$	2024
13,355	Event entrance fees – AHC			0.00
(13,221)	Less: costs			
831	Event entrance fees – Cooroy			0.00
(732)	Less: costs			
650	Event entrance fees – Masters			0.00
(1078)	Less: Costs			
1734	Event entrance fees – Monthly		2204.79	
(951)	Less: Costs		<u>2272.41</u>	(67.62)
1150	Event entrance fees – NVN/Xmas		1527.24	
(1212)	Less: Costs		<u>1528.62</u>	(1.38)
4890	Event entrance fees – QHSC		3121.48	
(2929)	Less: Costs	7	<u>4945.50</u>	(1824.02)
1380	Event entrance fees – QHFS		330.96	
<u>(947)</u>	Less: costs		294.32	<u>36.64</u>
2,916	Total net income/(loss) events			\$(1856.38)
2023	Income - Other	Note	\$	2024
<u>560</u>	Donations received	8		<u>290.00</u>
6,234	Total Income			\$ (1566.38)



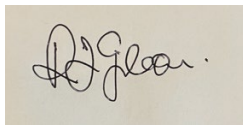
Profit and Loss  
Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc  
As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

2023	Expenses	Note	\$	2024
136	Asic Fees			126.05
667	Awards			437.00
379	Banking Merchant Fees			259.76
585	Insurance public Liability			646.27
62	Meeting costs			67.00
1069	Subs Golf genius			2132.50
167	Website domain fee			174.85
360	Website host fee			360.00
<u>0</u>	Promotion Costs			<u>36.00</u>
3,420	Total expenses			4357.97
2,814	Net Profit /(Loss)			\$ (2853.67)

Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc  
Accountants Report  
Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

This is a special purpose report prepared for the sole and exclusive use of Hickory Golfers Queensland Incorporated.

The report has been prepared from the financial records and bank statements of the above incorporated entity. All records have been maintained in an appropriate manner. The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis for this financial year so as to provide a more accurate report on the financial results of the entity.

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in black ink. The signature appears to be 'R Gibson' with a period at the end.

Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Prepared by: Roger Gibson ACA retired. Treasurer - Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc

Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc  
Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
Notes to the accounts.

Note 1 – Hickory bags and Shafts

Hickory bags and spare shafts were purchased during the year in order to maintain sets of hickory clubs for use by guests at our various events. The committee is investigating the current store of hickory clubs at Royal Queensland Golf Club to determine ownership status and potential financial recording and insurance obligations.

Note 2 – New Member Joining Items

A stock is maintained of pouch bags, divot tools, member tags, pencils and tees for supply to new members upon joining.

Note 3 – Prepaid Fees

The committee negotiated a three year prepayment of Asic fees. This represents the next 2 years fees at a reduced rate.

Note 4 – Prepaid membership fees

This represents membership fees for the 2025 year paid in the 2024 year.

Note 5 – Accounts Payable

This represents expenditure incurred in the 2024 year unpaid as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Note 6 – Membership joining fee costs

This represents a write-down of joining items stock so as to match the physical stocktake of items as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Note 7 – Queensland Hickory State championship costs

Due to the accounts being historically being prepared on a cash basis prior to this year there were significant costs pertaining to the 2023 state championship which occurred in the 2024 year. This had an adverse net \$2,180 impact on this year's profitability. The use of accrual accounting going forward will result in a more accurate statement of profitability for the future.

Note 8 – Donations received

Donations were received during the year from Roger Gibson (\$50), Bradley Tatnell (\$200) and Mervyn Ross (\$40).

Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc  
Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
Membership

Date Created	Given name	Family name	Club
26/10/2020	Philip	Akes	RQGC
9/11/2020	Michael	Akes	TGC
19/10/2020	Andrew	Baker	VHGC/LLB
1/11/2020	Robert	Bischof	BGC
20/10/2020	Ross	Bishop	RQGC
20/10/2020	Wally	Boydell	RQGC
3/01/2023	Diana	Charlton	RQGC
20/10/2020	Bruce	Collins	BGC
4/11/2020	Gregory	Cooper	VGC
20/10/2020	Chris	Cooper	RQGC
6/11/2020	Andrew	Corrigan	RQGC
22/10/2020	Lex	Duncan	RQGC
27/08/2021	Charlie	Earp	RQGC
26/10/2020	Peter	Egan	RQGC
31/03/2023	Douglas	Fisher	BGC
14/06/2022	Roger	Gibson	IGC
2/11/2020	Alan	Grieve	BGC
17/12/2020	Ralph	Heading	RQGC
29/06/2023	Mark	Heiser	RQGC
21/10/2020	Scott	Hendry	CGCT
24/11/2021	Ross	Howard	LRGC
28/10/2020	David	Jones	RQGC
28/10/2020	David	Kaffler	RQGC
25/10/2020	Graham	Kildey	RQGC
27/10/2020	Ian	King	RQGC
11/12/2020	Robert	King-Scott	RQGC
13/12/2023	Peter	Kyffin	BGC
21/03/2023	Mark	Lawson	CNZ
30/10/2020	Grathan	Leatherbarrow	CGCT
28/10/2022	Suddy	MacKechnie	RQGC
1/08/2021	David	Mansfield	BGC
9/09/2021	Colin	Marshall	NGC
20/10/2020	Greg	Mellifont	BGC
21/10/2020	Peter	Monks	RQGC
14/07/2021	Doug	Morel	RQGC

23/01/2024	Shane	O'Bryan	IGC
3/11/2020	John	O'Shea	RGC
1/11/2020	Arthur	O'Shea	RQGC
20/10/2020	Mervyn	Ross	RQGC
8/11/2020	Justin	Ryan	BDGC
22/04/2021	Ilija	Soldan	BGC
20/10/2020	Perry	Somers	MGC
20/10/2020	Kim	Storie	RQGC
21/01/2022	Andrew	Sugden	IGC
19/10/2020	Bradley	Tatnell	RQGC
6/10/2023	Stephen	Thorn	NTGC
21/03/2023	Dean	Tucker	CNZ
8/11/2020	Kevin	Tuckwell	RQGC
21/03/2023	Peter	van Eekelen	CNZ
29/03/2022	Darron	Watt	WWGC
10/11/2022	Robyn	Wilson	RQGC

Total members = 51

Last year = 63

This year to date = 39

Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc

Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Treasurer's Report.

I am pleased to present this report detailing the financial results of Hickory Golfers Queensland Inc for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

The Profit and Loss for the year shows a loss of \$2,853. As noted in notes 6 and 7 above, two events impacted upon this year's results. Firstly the sum of \$2,180 representing expenditure relating to last year's State Championships (ie 2023) was incurred in this financial year and secondly a write-down of joining member stock to match the physical stocktake of such stock was necessary. The financial effect of these two items almost erases the reported loss should they not have occurred. My recommendation to the committee to adopt accrual accounting for the 2024 year and subsequent years will result in more accurate reporting of results since it seeks to match all relevant revenue and expenditure for the accounting period.

The attached balance sheet reports capitalized expenditure against such items as the website, trophies and tee markers. This year we have added expenditure relating to hickory clubs. The accounting rationale behind such entries is that such expenditure is carried forward as an asset rather than being expensed in the Profit and Loss since such items generate future income and hence are integral to the continuing transactional operation of the entity. The committee will perform further analysis of hickory club stocks at Royal Queensland to determine if additional capitalization is required in the balance sheet.

The membership report above details that membership decreased from 63 in the 2023 year to 50 this financial year. We are mindful that growing membership is essential to the medium to long term viability and success of Hickory Golfers Queensland. It is hoped that the introduction of hickory events at clubs other than Royal Queensland will lead to more interest by traditional golfers resulting in increased hickory membership.

I would like to thank the committee for their support of my role during the year and in particular the President and Secretary without whose assistance it would not have been possible to prepare this report in such detail.