



MEMORANDUM

TO: Member Club's (VGA)
All Affiliated Clubs (WGV)
District Golf Associations
Victorian Golf League & Victorian Women's Golf League
Affiliated Members

FROM: WGV Chief Executive Officer & VGA Executive Director

DATE: Wednesday 17th November, 2010

SUBJECT: Golf Victoria – VGA and WGV Confirm Amalgamation

The Victorian Golf Association (VGA) and Women's Golf Victoria (WGV) are pleased to advise that the respective memberships of each body have agreed to amalgamate following a formal voting process undertaken at a VGA General Meeting and a WGV Special General Meeting conducted simultaneously at the Southern Golf Club on the evening of Tuesday 16th November.

The VGA membership unanimously supported two special amalgamation resolutions while 99.09% of the WGV membership approved the amalgamation of the two bodies after over 100 years of operating as separate Victorian golf organisations.

In summary, the approval of the above meetings will now see: -

- The amalgamation of VGA and WGV to form Golf Victoria, effective as of November 21st, 2010.
- The VGA change its name to Golf Victoria and adopt the Golf Victoria Constitution.
- WGV transfer all assets and liabilities, excluding the WGV Office at 598A Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick to Golf Victoria.
- WGV amend its constitution, whereby its main purpose will be to own the Elsternwick Office until such time as it is sold, with the realized capital transferred to Golf Victoria. This process ensures that neither WGV nor Golf Victoria is liable for stamp duty.

In accordance with the Golf Victoria constitution, an interim Board consisting of four VGA and four WGV representatives has been appointed to administer the organisation until the election of a nine person Board in approximately April 2011. The interim Board will be as follows: -

- Amanda Derham
- Patrick Doran
- Ann Felgate
- John Hobday
- Brian Lasky
- Tony Nott
- Jill Spargo
- Lee Wills

The immediate tasks of the interim Board and Executive Staff will be to finalise a lease arrangement for an initial three-year period on a new premises for Golf Victoria to operate from; consolidate the operation of the new organisation as quickly as possible and develop organisation branding including new logo.

It should be further noted that investigations have simultaneously commenced into the development of a long-term Victorian Golf Headquarters which will likely include a submission for assistance being made to State Government during the first half of 2011.

In closing, VGA and WGV would also formally record their thanks and appreciation to all persons past and present involved in the amalgamation process, particularly the following: -

- Amalgamation Steering Committee of Amanda Derham, Patrick Doran, Ann Felgate, John Hobday, Jenny Hoff, Brian Lasky, Tony Nott & Ellie Stawell.
- Former VGA Council member Darryl Buxton who was involved on the Amalgamation Steering Committee until his untimely passing in May 2009.
- WGV Chief Executive Officer Bronwen Young and current and former VGA Executive Directors David Greenhill & Doug Fox.
- Consultants Peter Dorrell and John Crofts
- Lawyer Graeme Johnson
- Sport and Recreation Victoria Consultant Grant Cosgriff


Progressive updates on the commencement of Golf Victoria operations, nomination process for the Golf Victoria Board and Consultative Committee elections and any related matters will be communicated to all clubs, Districts and Leagues.

In the interim, should any club, District or League have any further queries regarding the formation of Golf Victoria or any related amalgamation matter, please do not hesitate to contact either of the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,



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