NZGIC Inaugural General Meeting Minutes – 27 September 2017

Attendees: Dean Murphy (NZG), Thiem Nguyen (NZG), Elizabeth Witton (NZ Golf Magazine), Leigh Smith (Golf Pacific), Denise Langdon (PaR nz Golfing Holidays), Liz McKinnon (NZPWG), Matt Smith (DotGolf), Sheridan Vining (Golf Distributors), Chris Davies (GMANZ), Des Topp (GMANZ), Ryan Brandeburg (Golf Tourism), Sam Sullivan (Brittain Wynyard & Co), Carl Fenton (NZG), Jan Rowsell (NZG), David Howie (NZ Eagles Society), Steve Hinton (Mangawhai Golf), Jack Naden (Golf Rewards Pty Ltd), Steffan Panoho (ATEED), Wing Lin (ATEED), Kristie Kerr (Kura Golf Course Design), Vern Pere (Two Under Club), John Woodham (Power Turf New Zealand), Jonathan Mabey (Experience Golf), Tony Simpson (Experience Golf), Travis Gawler (Akarana Golf Club), Johnny Simmons (Commercial Outdoor Machinery),Terry Yacyshen (Wainui Golf Club), David Herbert (Whangaparaoa Golf Club), David Thompson (SNAG Golf), Kelsen Butler (Sports Inc), Ian Litchfield(Pukekohe GC) Dominic Sainsbury (PGA).

In Attendance: Becky Hobson (NZG PA).

Apologies: Doug Harradine (Golf Otago), Rhys Bishop (The Golf Warehouse), John Cribb (NZMGA), Mark Proser (Acushnet NZ) , Leigh Smith (Golfer Pacific), Tom Whitaker (NZ Eagles Society), Peter Skou (NZ Eagles Society), Bob Rosevear (NZ Eagles Society), Sarah Dunning (Sports NZ), Murray Ward (NZG Board), Hamish MacKenzie (Rebel Sport), Don Hope (The Cut), Geoff Witton (NZ Golf Magazine), Mark Guzik (Tara Iti Golf Club), Dennis Clark (The GolfWorks NZ), Geoff Dickson (AUT), Kyoji Sai (NZGolfCourse.com SEKATABI Limited), Peter Cox (Charlies Golf Tours), Peter Talyancich (EZGO Carts), Greg Swafford (NZGCSA), Lynne Butler (ATEED), Rowland Griffiths (North Shore Golf Club), Hugo Littlejohn (Maungakiekie Golf Club), Michael Goldstein (The Clubhouse), Tony Nowell (PGA) Andrew Bell, Ross Bond, Mike Reid and John Freer.

Interim Chairman Des Topp noted that the meeting invitation was sent to a database close to 300 pax and to take no replies as apologies.

Moved: Dean Murphy  
Seconded: Sam Sullivan  
 **Unanimously Carried**

# **Welcome**

Interim Chairman Des Topp welcomed all to the meeting.

# **Adoption of Constitution and Charter**

The Chairman highlighted the major points of the Constitution and Charter;

1. To encourage coordination and collaboration between organisations in the New Zealand Golf industry;
2. Provide a forum to bring together all key sectors of the New Zealand Golf Industry to work in a coordinated way to grow, support and promote the game of golf;
3. Coordinate and optimize industry research and other agreed industry projects;
4. Identify matters that are of common interest to the members and on which broad industry consensus views can be logically achieved;
5. Provide an effective medium for disseminating relevant communications, news on developments and projects undertaken and or achieved by the New Zealand Golf industry both within and external to the industry and its individual members; and
6. To do any other lawful acts incidental to these objects or to progress the enhancement of the Society and its aims

The meeting **adopted** the NZGIC Constitution as presented.  
Moved: Chris Davies  
Seconded: Sheridan Vining

**Unanimously Carried**

# **Election of Officers**

The Chairman explained to the meeting that the following members of the Interim Board offer themselves and have been nominated and seconded for positions on the inaugural New Zealand Golf Industry Council Board of Management.

Chairman: Des Topp – Golf Managers Association of New Zealand  
Deputy Chairman: Michael Glading – New Zealand Golf Tournaments

Members of the Board representing organisations named in Clause 11.2 of the Constitution:

* Dominic Sainsbury – Professional Golfers Association of New Zealand
* Greg Swafford – New Zealand Course Superintendents Association
* Sam Sullivan – Retail NZ - Wholesale and Retail Golf Section
* Jan Rowsell – New Zealand Golf
* Ryan Brandeburg – NZ Golf Tourism – inbound golf tourism

Independent representative

* Denise Langdon – PaR nz Golfing Holidays – domestic and outbound golf tourism

The meeting **adopted** the nominated positions on the Inaugural New Zealand Golf Council Board of Management.

Moved: Dean Murphy

Seconded: Ian Litchfield

**Unanimously Carried**

# **Confirmation of Membership Categories**

The Chairman explained to the meeting at the October 2016 forum those present agreed to become foundation members of the NZGIC and once the association has been registered, IRD requirements have been completed and loaded into Xero, invoices will be sent out to these companies. The Chairman noted that going forwards all other parties will need to register through the website.

The meeting **adopted** the membership categories as set out below.

* Members - $250.00 per annum
* Affiliates - $150.00 per annum
* Sponsorship package - $1500.00

# **Launch of NZGIC Website**

The Chairman presented the NZGIC website to the meeting [www.nzgic.co.nz](http://www.nzgic.co.nz)   
  
Kristie Kerr suggested that it would be a good idea to have a Golf Course Design section on the website.

# **Meeting Close**

Prior to closing off the meeting the Chairman relayed some of the projects the Board will be working on in the future:

* Determining the value of the golf industry.
* Determining the value of golf to the well-being of all New Zealanders.
* Evaluating the ecological benefits of the golf industry.

The Chairman also explained that there have also been very positive talks about the PGA, GMA and Greenkeepers Association coming together to run golf conferences and trade exhibitions.

Future Events:

2018 June – NZ Course Supers Australasian Conference

2018 Oct – GMANZ/PGA/CMAA BMI Conference

2019 – NZGIC Charity Golf Day – Proceeds NZ Golf Foundation

2019 September - NZGIC Golf Industry wide Forum and Trade Exhibition to tie in with MCKAYSON NZ WOMENS OPEN

2020 September - GMANZ/PGA/ NZ Course Supers Conference to tie in with MCKAYSON NZ WOMENS OPEN

The Chairman closed the meeting and thanked the Board, along with Dean Murphy and the New Zealand Golf team for their efforts over the last 9 months, he also went on to thank all in attendance for their support.

The meeting closed at 10.00am

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Des Topp

Chairman

Date: ……………………….