CONSTITUTION OF THE CORAKI VETERANS' GOLF CLUB

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AIMS

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CVGC is a "Sub Club" in accordance with Rule 27.10 of Coraki Golf Club Limited ("the Main Club") constitution. Rule 27 sets out the principles under which the CVGC is established and how it may run, maintained and financially controlled through a committee elected by its members. Pursuant to 27.11 the President of the Main Club is ex-officio a member of all Committees of the GVGC and may attend meetings personally or nominate another director of the Main Club to attend in their place.

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1. MEMBERSHIP

1a. At the age of 55 years or over, financial members of the Main Club are eligible for nomination to become members of CVGC. The Executive Committee of CVGC has the power to accept or deny membership and does not have to provide any reason for any decision for rejection of an application. Refer 15.4, Main Club Constitution.

1b. Generally, new members are not entitled to win any of the major weekly trophies or participate in the annual Christmas party until they have played five (5) competition games with CVGC.

1c. Members of the Main Club, aged 50 to 54 years, may become "Junior" members able to play in and win prizes in weekly competitions, but are subject to restrictions on their eligibility to win major prizes and to participate in events at other Clubs.

1d. The **Annual Membership Fee** is determined at each **Annual General Meeting** of members and is generally set as a nominal amount sufficient to cover costs to affiliate with the Northern Rivers Veteran Golf Association (NRVGA) and the NSW Veteran Golf Association (NSWVGA).

1e. Members of other Veteran Clubs are invited to join and play in our weekly competitions and become eligible to win a major weekly prize after they have played in five (5) weekly competitions at Coraki.

2. COMPETITIONS

2a. The **GVGC Match Committee** is responsible for the control of all competitions which are conducted in accordance with the **Rules of Golf** and under course conditions as determined by the **Greens Director** of the Main Club or their nominee.

2b. Normally competitions are conducted each Thursday commencing at 8.30am, with a blind draw for partners and a "shotgun" start. The Match Committee may vary the starting time and other

conditions from time to time, according to circumstances, and in such cases, members will be advised accordingly.

2c. Special Conditions to Apply on Monthly Medals and other Main Trophies

2c(i) At the onset of adverse weather conditions commencing at the start of play, the President and Captain (or their Deputies) acting together may declare the course unplayable.

2c(ii) On days where the full course remains playable and motorised carts are in use, at least half the field or 20 players (whichever is the greater) need to complete the course, otherwise the Medal or Major Trophy event will be postponed and instead prizes awarded will be in line with the number of players who completed their round.

3. HANDICAPPING AND WEEKLY TROPHIES

In accordance with the aims of CVGC, the intention is the return to members most of the weekly playing fee after deducting **green fees** due to the Main Club. In an endeavour to ensure that all members share, on an annual basis, in the weekly prize run-down, a modified handicapping system has been adopted for weekly GVGC competitions. Refer to details, Item 8.

4. GVGC CHAMPIONSHIP & TROPHY

4a. To be eligible to play in the Championship, a player must be a member of the Main Club and an eligible member of CVGC and have played in five (5) competition games since the beginning of the Calendar year, subject to the provision of 4b.

4b. In addition, members of other AGU registered Clubs and members of Coraki Veterans Golf Club are eligible to play in the Championship competition if having played 10 games in the preceding 12 months.

4c. The Championship is to be conducted over four (4) Thursdays determined by the Match Committee with the winner being the player with the best aggregate net score of three rounds using Australia Golf Union("AGU") handicap applicable on the day of the First Round of the Championship.

4d. Each Championship Round will be based on an 18 Hole Stroke event.

4e. In the case of tied scores, the winner will be determined on a countback.

5. MONTHLY MEDAL COMPETITIONS & TROPHY.

5a. The Monthly Medal will normally be played on the **first Thursday** of each Month but must only be played when the full 18-hole course is Open to all eligible GVGC players.

5b. The Championship rounds will be held as an 18-Hole Stroke event using members AGU handicap. The winner of each Monthly Medal and the Medal of Medals event is based on the best net score for the day of the competition.

5c. In the event of tied scores, the winner will be determined on a count-back.

5d. Monthly winners participate in the Annual Trophy event in November. The winner of this event will be awarded the annual Medal of Medals Trophy.

5e. To be eligible to participate in the Monthly Medal, and its associated competitions, players must meet the eligibility rules for membership set out in 1a., 1b., 1c. and 1e.

6. VARDON TROPHY

6a. Conducted in conjunction with the Monthly Medals events, the Vardon Trophy is awarded to the player recording the **best aggregate of six (6) net scores** during the Year.

6b. In the event of tied scores, the winner will be determined on a count-back.

7. ANNUAL PUTTING COMPETITION & TROPHY

7a. This Trophy is awarded to the player recording the **best aggregate of six (6) putting scores** for the year as recorded on Monthly Medal Days.

8. JIM ORMOND TROPHY

8a. The Jim Ormond Trophy is played as a single 18-hole Stableford event played annually on the Thursday nearest to Jim's last game, namely the 12th July.

8b. The event is open to all eligible GVGC members who have played five (5) competition games since the beginning of the Calendar year.

8c. This event is played using each player's GVGC's Veteran's Handicap as determined on the day of the competition.

8d. A Replica Trophy is presented to the winner on the day of the event and a perpetual trophy is presented at the Annual Presentation Day.

8. GMVGC HANDICAPPING FOR ALL EVENTS EXCLUDING THE CHAMPIONSHIP, MONTHLY MEDAL AND VARDON COMPETITIONS

8a. A special handicapping system has been devised so that all GVGC members feature in the sharing of the prizes over the Year. The system applies to weekly competitions and the Jim Ormond trophy. The Vets Handicap system starts with a member's AGU handicap and continues with the member's GVGC Handicap increasing by one stroke each week until they participate in a weekly prize run-down at which time their CVGC handicap is reduced in accordance with the table shown below;

Competition Position	Loss of Handicap Strokes	Trophy:
Winner	6	All trophies are determined by the Finance and Match C'ees. Typical Prizes include Vouchers, free games, balls and chickens.
1st Runner-up	5	
2nd Runner-up	4	
3rd Runner-up	3	
Ball Run-down	1	
Monthly Medal	6	