## Northern Tasmanian Veteran Golfers Association - Newsletter, August 2024.

**The Vets Tournaments** for 2024/25 are underway with the first Tournament to be held at CampbellTown (East Coast) on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

The Tournament Schedule is now on the NTVGA web-site.

Your Committee has recently held two meetings to discuss ways of strengthening and growing the NTVGA and would like to offer the following ideas and suggestions:

## 1. Lady Golfers

As mentioned last year, lady golfers are fully eligible to play in our Vets Comps including Vets Tournaments. A recent survey indicated that there are now at least 13 Vets Groups with Lady members with approx. 40 playing on a regular basis.

All Groups are encouraged to endeavour to increase the participation of Lady members to boost our numbers and expand the diversity of our Association.

## 3. Vets Tournaments

All Flyers for Vets Tournaments should include a full list of prizes offered and details of any other special conditions. Following the recent alteration of our Constitution, the maximum handicap allowable is now 54 and this must be stated on the Flyer. Also, as previously, all Groups are encouraged to include an over 80s prize category. All Flyers should also state that all entrants must be a financial member of an affiliated Vets Group

## 4. General

The NTVGA Championships will be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at Thirlstane.. The Championships are run much the same as a normal tournament with the host club providing lunch and prizes for the net events and NTPs. The NTVGA provides prizes for the overall winner and all gross events.

The Goodwill Tournament is scheduled for Tuesday 1st April 2025 (tbc) at Ulverstone.

Dale Middap is managing the web-site so all details of tournaments, results and changes to the directory should be e-mailed to him (
<a href="mailto:dmiddap94@gmail.com">dmiddap94@gmail.com</a>). All Groups are encouraged to regularly check the NTVGA web page to ensure they have details of up-coming Tournaments, etc.

The Association has a facebook page which is maintained by Brian Whelan of Poatina. Please forward any items of interest to Brian (<a href="mailto:brianwhelan58@gmail.com">brianwhelan58@gmail.com</a>) for posting on the page.

Reminder that any NTVGA Vets who are in the south of the State are welcome to play in the STVGA weekly Vets comp.

The STVGA play on Monday on three different Courses in the Southern region.

To book in, access the STVGA web-site.

A Goodwill Tournament is scheduled for Royal Hobart on 7<sup>th</sup> October – more details later.

Just a reminder that if any Group requires notices etc to be sent to all Vets Groups and they do not have all emails in one Group, just forward the information to the Sec/Treasurer (gjhearps@gmail.com). who can forward it to all Groups.

Good golfing to all and let's look forward to an enjoyable Vets Tournament season.

Joe Viney, President

Garry Hearps, Sec/Treasurer