



Golf NSW/JNJG Women's Golf Northern Rivers Servicing Proposal

Introduction

Over the past 24 months, the incidence of requests to Golf NSW from Districts seeking assistance in regard to their ongoing operations and viability have increased significantly.

Many Districts continue to have issues electing executive/committee positions, with very little prospect of succession. As a result, some districts have also been operating for some time without attracting a 'quorum' for meetings.

In recent times Golf Illawarra (men's), South West DGA (men's), Far South Coast DGA (men's), Mid North Coast DGA (men's) have 'wound up' their respective District's, with the clubs in these regions successfully being serviced by Golf NSW/JNJG via their Regional Managers.

Following the recent WGNR AGM, at which a majority of executive positions remained vacant, WGNR is now working with Golf NSW to 'wind up' the District, with the clubs being provided future service and support from Golf NSW/JNJG and the Northern NSW Regional Manager, Luke Woods.

Regional Manager Deployment

In September 2020 Golf NSW, as a joint initiative with JNJG, launched nine Regional Managers to provide face to face assistance and support to clubs and districts in NSW and the ACT. Seven of the Regional Managers are located in regional areas, with Metropolitan Sydney being serviced by two Regional Managers.

Regional Managers are trained to assist clubs and districts with their operations by the delivery of all Golf NSW and JNJG services including club support, junior development, government relations, tournament administration and support, participation initiatives, marketing, digital and media, legal, compliance, and governance.

Regional Managers are domiciled in the area they service.

Affiliation Fees and District Assets

Upon the winding up of the WGNR, clubs would continue to pay a District affiliation fee directly to Golf NSW. To provide assurance that this fee would not significantly increase, caveats would be written into a 'letter of agreement' between both parties.

Similarly, upon winding up any surplus assets/funds of the WGNR would be transferred to Golf NSW, to be used exclusively to support and promote women's golf at the clubs that are currently members of the WGNR. This would include but not be limited to marketing campaigns, participation initiatives, tournament/event support, resources, and equipment. Assurance to that effect would also be provided through the 'letter of agreement'.

District Tournaments/Programs

It would be Golf NSW's/JNJG's intention that all current and/or relevant WGNR tournaments continue to be run and administered by Golf NSW Regional Managers. Any volunteers that have previously assisted the WGNR would be encouraged to continue to do so under the coordination of the Regional Manager.

The events to be run would be by the mutual agreement of both Golf NSW/JNJG and WGNR.

In addition, current WGNR initiatives/scholarships/sponsorships would also continue under the 'letter of agreement'.

District Transition and MNCDGA Website

Upon winding up, a transitional Committee would be formed (consisting of existing WGNR committee, and/or any other club representatives wishing to be involved) to ensure the smooth transition to the Golf NSW/JNJG servicing of the WGNR Region.

Over a period of time, traffic to the WGNR website would be directed to a dedicated section of the Golf NSW website/portal which would specifically be designed to service and promote all things golf in the Northern Rivers Region.

Next Steps

This information has been provided to clubs with WGNR intending to formally wind up at an upcoming Special General meeting, with clubs in the future being serviced and supported by Golf NSW and JNJG Regional Managers.

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