Minutes of the 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Go Society

Present: Callum Gardener 16k, Allan Hunt 10k, Ravi Newman-Pache 9k, Dean Thomas 9k, Yoko Usami 9k, David Schofield 7k, Sun Woo Nam 5k, Carlos Alperin 5k, Edwin Clarke 2k, Horatio Davis 2k, Mark Bell 2d, Kevin Oh 3d, Sam Nakagawa 3d, Markus Pache 4d, Erli Qiu 4d, Kevin Jiang 5d, Bing Liu 4d, Kaile Su 6d.

Apologies: Jason Mackay-Dwyer 4d, Bill Leveritt 4k.

Chair: Horatio Davis. Minutes: Allan Hunt.

Meeting opened at 12:44pm on Saturday the 19th of March, 2016, in room 430, Joyce Ackroyd building, University of Queensland, St Lucia.

Horatio Davis moved that the minutes of the 2015 annual general meeting be confirmed. The motion was seconded by Mark Bell, and passed unanimously.

Horatio Davis spoke to his annual report as general secretary of the Society (below). Edwin Clarke moved that the report be accepted. This was seconded by Dean Thomas and passed. It was noted that there were no annual reports from any chapter convenor.

The chair declared the position of general secretary of the Queensland Go Society vacant, and called for nominations. Mark Bell nominated Horatio Davis, seconded by Dean Thomas. There being no other nominations, Horatio Davis was declared re-elected unopposed.

The chair declared the position of Brisbane Go Club convenor vacant. After some discussion (noting Jason Mackay-Dwyer was no longer available), Edwin Clarke nominated Allan Hunt, seconded by Horatio Davis. There being no other nominations, Allan Hunt was declared elected unopposed.

The general secretary spoke to the annual financial report of the Queensland Go Society (below), noting \$600 in sponsorship still owed by the Australian Go Association for the 2016 Australian Open in Brisbane.

Horatio Davis nominated the go discipline of the Bun Bu Ryo Do in the University of Southern Queensland's Toowoomba campus for recognition as a chapter of the Queensland Go Society, noting that a small group had been playing go weekly during semester for some time. The resolution to recognise was seconded by Mark Bell and passed.

Markus Pache nominated the Lismore Go Club for recognition as a chapter of the Queensland Go Society. The resolution to recognise was seconded by Horatio Davis and passed.

The chair called for items of general business. There were two:

- Markus Pache raised the issue of supporting the Lismore School Go Club. After discussion, the meeting decided to allocate two older board and stone sets from inventory.
- Mark Bell nominated Bill Leveritt for life membership, citing his many years of service to Queensland go in the early years. The nomination was seconded by Edwin Clarke and approved unanimously and by acclamation by the meeting.

After some discussion, the meeting provisionally decided that the next Queensland Championships should be held at the Gold Coast in February 2017, with precise date to be dependent upon venue and availability.

Meeting closed at 1:02pm.

Appendix A: 2016 Annual Report - Queensland Go Society

At the last Queensland Open, we had two chapters plus a nascent third. At the end of this Queensland Open, we will have four chapters, stretching from Toowoomba to Lismore. The last active membership list we updated the Australian Go Association with had two life members, 23 voting members and 24 registered players on it. This year's list promises to be even longer.

In December 2015 Queensland hosted the Australian Open; it was Brisbane's turn, and we held it on this campus. I am told it went well. Certainly I enjoyed that weekend, as did our guests from Adelaide, Melbourne, Canberra, Sydney, a delegation from Korea (including Youngmin Yoon 2p and Sohyun Park 2p), Wang Qun 8p from China and An Younggil 8p as celebrity guest professional umpire. St Leo's College enjoyed having us. We had a go at the state's first pair go competition, which was great fun but only one round long. Next time, two!

Between the two we revived the Brisbane Spring tournament, played at the Go Lounge in Greenslopes, and continued with a lively and successful Gold Coast Classic. Unfortunately this was our last event at the Gold Coast Country Club courtesy of the developers who repurposed the land out from under them. Gold Coast go is now at the Links Hope Island golf club, and from what I've seen thriving there.

Jason Mackay is travelling overseas for a goodly chunk of this year, and has resigned from being the player who runs the Brisbane Go Club. We are in need of a replacement, and I hope someone will step forward. The weekly meetings at Stones Corner continue to run fluently, and the Go Lounge continues to be, as Edwin once said to me, a gift.

We have a standing invitation from the Chermside Critical Mass board gaming group to turn up with go boards when they meet on Friday evenings. Accordingly I want someone to take them up on it.

My goals for 2016 are the usual: get the players who can reach the clubs, in and playing at the meetings; get the players who can reach the tournaments, in and competing; and give the players who are too far away for that options (there's an Australian Digital tournament now, played on the internet with prizes, and all of you are most welcome to enter in June). Still working on a five-year strategic plan, but you can assume it'll be more of the same, but larger.

...it's a lot of stuff. I would like to thank Mark Bell, Jason Mackay-Dwyer, Edwin Clarke, and Cindy Wong for all their hard work in making it happen, and you who read this, for playing.

Appendix B: 2015-2016 Queensland Go Society Finances

- The February 2015 Queensland Open had a turnover of \$912.83, and made a loss of \$12.83.
 - This includes payment of \$200 to the Australian Go Association for 2015 bulk subscriptions of our players.
 - This includes one nominal competitor who registered for membership.
- The 2015 Brisbane Spring tournament in September had nil turnover and profit.
 - o The venue collected \$25/competitor for admission, lunch and a drink.
- The 2015 Gold Coast Classic in October had a turnover of \$760 and a profit of \$371.40.
 - o I think I charged \$10/head too much.
- The 2015 Australian Open had a turnover of \$3883.70 and a total loss of \$103.70.
 - o 65 cents of which was the main tournament.
 - o The pair go was in profit by \$31.95.
 - We received, via the AGA, \$1000 donation from Raphael Shin to support Younggil An 8p as the celebrity guest professional umpire.
 - We have not yet received \$600 sponsorship pledged by the AGA for same.
- We spent \$202.17 for boards and stones for the University of Queensland go group in July.
- Just before the 2016 Queensland Open the account balance was \$3868.45, compared with \$4211.30 just before the 2015 Queensland Open. Of interest but not of concern.
- The society's funds are still kept in an ANZ Bank account with a Visa debit card.
 - o I know where the cheque book is, and I do not miss using it in the slightest.
 - o When we hit \$5000 in inactive funds I would like to put this in a term deposit.

Endorsed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Aguido Horatio Davis, General Secretary for 2016.