

**Minutes of the Seventh Annual General Meeting
of the Senior Golf Section held at
Lincoln Golf Club on Wednesday 27 November 1985**

Present were: in the Chair, the Skipper, Don Lill, and members to a total of 44. Before the meeting commenced, the Skipper remarked that he was pleased to be able to announce that on this occasion the section had sustained no deaths of members and he was happy not to have to request members to stand and show their respects.

1. Apologies for absence were received from:

Ron Adams, Henry Knight, Ted Hayes, Peter Brown, Tom Pole & Stanley Barrell

2. The minutes of the last Annual general meeting were read by the Secretary, their adoption was proposed by E Tomlinson, seconded by A Brogden and approved unanimously. They were therefore signed by the Chairman as a true record..

3. The Honorary Treasurer made his report and presented the accounts which showed a credit balance of £50.13p at the closure.

The Treasurer reported that the Committee recommended that out of this balance, £20 be donated to the Greenkeeper and his staff for the excellent service during the year and that £20 be donated to the Cathedral Restoration Fund at the wish of the Skipper. It was proposed by A Brogden and seconded by B Dockray that these donations be made and approved unanimously by the members.

4. The Skipper in making his report on the year's activities announced that the strength of the section had increased from 62 to 72 there being eleven new members and one resignation. Of these, some 50 had been active in supporting the competitions and matches arranged by the section.

During the season, sixteen matches were played, 7 away and 9 at home including 2 against the Lincoln Ladies.

The results were won 9, lost 5 and halved 3.

The winners of the individual Trophies played for were as follows:

The Thimbleby Trophy	F Warhurst
The Seniors Cup	W L Evans
Pip's Pot	E Tomlinson
The Jackson Trophy	W Morwood
Mitch's Mug	R Douse

In addition to the above Trophy Competitions, the usual monthly Stableford competitions were held and also the first time a Foursomes stroke play competition. The results were well distributed and only 2 competitors won more than one event.

During the year the names of all the winners of the Trophies over the lifetime of the Section have been checked and the engraving of the Trophies brought up to date. Also where necessary, new plates have been affixed to the plinths to provide space for winners' names into the foreseeable future. The Skipper thanked Roy Douse for his efforts in this matter.

Unfortunately the Summer Evening Cocktail Party was not held this year due to the response being in the Committee's opinion inadequate to justify holding it. It should

be noted that due to a late enforced change in the proposed date of this function several members were forced to withdraw their support.

The Skipper expressed his thanks to the Committee members for their work in running the section. To Laurie Cresswell who although not on the Committee has continued to supervise the running of the Eclectic. To Ted Thimbleby for undertaking photocopying of agendas, member lists and fixture lists etc. Thanks were also expressed to the Club Hon Secretary Douglas Boag for help in fixing competitions and match dates and also to the Club Professional and his assistant in setting teeing off times. Also to the Head Greenkeeper and his staff for the excellent condition of the course and finally to Mary Baylis and the house staff in respect of meals and bar service.

The following members were proposed for election to office and to serve on the Committee for the following year:

		Proposed	Seconded
Skipper	R Douse	R Adams	L Cresswell
Vice Skipper	J Tompkin	L Cresswell	R Adams
Hon Secretary	J Tompkin	L Cresswell	R Adams
Hon Treasurer	W Heaton	D Lill	R Douse
Liaison Member	P Newlove	R Douse	E Reynolds
Immediate Past Skipper	D Lill		

The above were elected unanimously en bloc.

6. Roy Douse then took the Chari and thanked members for electing his Skipper. He expressed the hope that the section would continue to thrive during his term as Skipper and he would do his utmost to ensure that all members of the section have an enjoyable year's golf.

7a. It was proposed as a recommendation from the Committee that the subscription for 1986 remain at £1 and this was approved unanimously.

7b. It was proposed by L Cresswell that a 4-ball competition be held during the 1986 season. This was seconded and this was approved unanimously.

7c. Social Event. The Committee was requested to arrange a Cocktail Party in the Summer of 1986 preferably at a rather earlier date than the previous year.

7d. It was agreed that the entrance fee for Trophy competitions remain at 40p. 20p of this to go to the prize fund and the remainder to pay the cost of engraving the Trophy with the winner's name – any surplus to go into the section general fund.

7e. The matter of shortage in entrance fees was discussed and it was proposed and seconded that any shortfall be made up out of general funds and distributed as prizes. It was further proposed that envelopes be used for entry fees. On being put to the vote the motion was lost by 16 for 17 against. M Featherstone proposed that there be 3 prizes in the case of 25 or more entrants and 2 when less than 25 took part. This motion was defeated and it was to be left to the Committee to decide on the day. It was further agreed that entry fees be deposited in the box provided by members as the entry sheet was signed and the hope expressed that all entrants be careful in taking change so that shortfalls should not occur.

8. Laurie Cresswell announced the results of the Eclectic to be as follows:

Name	Gross	Handicap	Nett
F Warhurst	66	4 ½	61 ½

W Ponsford	71	9	62
R Douse	69	6 ½	62 ½
G Betts	72	9 ½	62 ½
W Morwood	75	12	63

Laurie agreed to compile the statistics for the Eclectic next year and received the grateful thanks of the Skipper.

9. Any Other Business.

9a. Derek Barton proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Skipper, Don Lill, which was acclaimed by all present.

9b. Ted Thimbleby asked whether the 2 shot reduction still applied to the handicaps of Senior competition winners. In reply the Skipper pointed out that there had been a wide spread of winners without such special reduction and all the season's competitions were played on members' official club handicaps.

It was proposed by Kemp Bettison, seconded by Jack Brown, that official club handicaps be used. This was approved unanimously.

9c. The Skipper stated that he had been approached by a number of members requesting that on a Wednesday morning other than on competition or match days, members should gather in the clubhouse at approx 10am and draw cards for arranging four balls as this provide a good social atmosphere and provide a wide spread of playing partners throughout the year. He endorsed this sentiment and offered it to the meeting for their comments. It was generally agreed with the proviso that it did in no way preclude members from arranging to play earlier or later if circumstances made this more convenient.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 4.00pm