

Minutes of the 8th Annual General Meeting
of the Seniors Section held at
Lincoln Golf Club on Wednesday 26 November 1986

Present were: in the Chair, the Skipper, Roy Douse, and members to a total of 37. Before the meeting commenced the Skipper was pleased to announce that there had been no deaths of members during the past year and he expressed his good wishes to those who were recovering from serious illness.

1. Apologies for absence were received from: Don Lill, Geoff Watson, Ted Thimbleby and Derek Barton.
2. The Minutes of the last Annual General meeting were read by the Secretary. Their adoption was proposed by Bill Morwood, seconded by Ernest Tomlinson and approved unanimously. They were then signed by the Chairman as a true record.
3. The Honorary Treasurer made his report and presented the accounts which showed a balance of £79.66 in hand at the closure. The Treasurer reported to the meeting that the committee recommended that, from this balance, the sum of £20 be donated to the greenkeeping staff and a donation of £20 be made to a charity of the Skipper's choice, namely the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Ernest Tomlinson proposed that the donation to the greenkeeping staff be £25. This was seconded by Ron Adams and approved unanimously, as was the donation to the RNLI.

The Treasurer intimated that there were presently 76 paid-up members and in view of the state of the finances he recommended that the cost of engraving the trophies be met from the general funds and that the entry fees for the competitions be disbursed as prizes.

4. In making his report on the year's activities, the Skipper reminded the meeting that he would shortly be taking on the more prestigious duty of Captain of the Club and looked forward to having the same level of support from Club members as he had had from the Seniors.

He thanked in particular the vice-Skipper, Jim Tompkin and the other officers and members of the committee for their unstinting support throughout the year.

He also expressed appreciation to the Club Secretary, Douglas Boag, for his cooperation in arranging competition and match dates; to the Head Greenkeeper, Derek Blades, and his staff for the excellent condition of the course; to the Club Professional, Ashley Carter and his assistant for over-seeing teeing-off times and to Mrs Baylis and the House staff in respect of meals and bar service.

The Skipper reported that of the 16 matches played, the results were: Won 7, Lost 7, Halved 2 and that some 48 members had represented the Seniors' teams during the season.

The winners of the individual trophies were:

Seniors Cup	Laurie Cresswell
Thimbleby Trophy	George Simmonds
Pip's Pot	Roy Douse
Mitch's Mug	Bill Morwood
Jackson Trophy	Bob Ponsford

In addition there were 7 monthly competitions with the following winners:- Bob Ponsford, Ted Hayes, Gordon Napier, Wally Evans, Don Lill, Frank Warhurst and Jack Brown.

The Skipper regretted that it was necessary to disqualify from the results of a competition, returns from members who had not observed the rule about playing in threes, a requirement for Club competitions also.

5. The retiring Skipper proposed that the Skipper for 1987 should be Jim Tompkin and this was agreed unanimously.

The following were elected to serve for 1987:

Post	Name	Proposed by	Seconded by
Vice-Skipper	Bill Norwood	Roy Douse	Jim Tompkin
Hon Secretary	Bill Morwood	Roy Douse	Ernest Tomlinson
Hon Treasurer	Walter Heaton	Roy Douse	Jim Tompkin
Club Liaison	Pip Newlove	Roy Douse	Walter Heaton

The elected officers together with the retiring Skipper to form the Committee.

6. Jim Tompkin thereupon took the chair and thanked the members for his election as Skipper. He hoped that he would be able to fulfil the functions of his office as effectively as his predecessors and he looked forward to the year ahead to provide enjoyable golf for all.

7. Laurie Cresswell reminded the Skipper that the previous Annual General Meeting had approved the holding of a four-ball competition and he questioned why this had not taken place. Roy Douse, as retiring Skipper, accepted that the Committee had failed to arrange such a competition but stressed that the difficulty of getting "fours" together. He apologised for the oversight and asked if it was still the wish of members that it should be arranged.

Jack Brown proposed that such a competition be NOT now held and this was seconded by Eric Foster. The proposal was put to the members and approved overwhelmingly.

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

Name	Gross	Handicap	Nett
Tom March	70	10 ½	59 ½
Bob Ponsford	67	7	60
Roy Douse	69	7	62
Maurice Featherstone	72	10	62

Roy Douse presented the trophy to the winner, Tom March.

Jim Tompkin expressed the thanks of the members for Laurie's work in compiling the statistics for the Eclectic competition, a task which Laurie is prepared to continue next year.

9. Ron Adams paid thanks to Roy Douse for the excellent manner in which he had fulfilled the office of Skipper and took the opportunity of congratulating him on his forthcoming Captaincy of the Club. These sentiments were endorsed by Jim Tompkin and received with acclamation by the members.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.15 pm.