Minutes of the 17th Annual General Meeting of the Seniors Section held at Lincoln Golf Club on Wednesday 29 November 1995

52 members attended the luncheon and the meeting. There were no apologies.

The Skipper asked members to stand in silence in memory and respect for John Pennington and John Laverack who sadly died during the year. He also sent the Section's good wishes to those who were in poor health.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting had been displayed on the notice board for four weeks and copies circulated today – they were passed unanimously.

Due to the sudden death of the Treasurer, John Laverack, the accounts were presented at very short notice by Sam Mercer. The Skipper paid tribute to the meticulous way in which John had kept the finances in such a healthy position and the accounts were adopted unanimously. The Skipper thanked Sam for his assistance.

Lincoln Golf Club Seniors Section
Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October 1995

Income	£	Expenditure	£
Balance b/f'd Cash in hand Subscriptions Abbey National Donations	65.31 166.00 349.79 8.00	Skipper's Charity Gratuity Greenkeepers Donation to Juniors Donation J S Pennington Receipt books Typing, Duplication Bouquet	50.00 50.00 50.00 25.00
Competitions			
Entry fees	204.60	Prizes Engraving Unpaid lunch	161.99 90.97 5.00
Bank Interest	1.75	Cash in hand Abbey National	10.95 351.54
Total	795.45	Total	795.45

The Secretary, in his first report to the Section, referred to the notices for the competitions and hoped they had been helpful. Also to the fact that the Match Secretary had handed on these duties and that the matches and competitions had been arranged for next season. The Secretary mentioned that Eric Foster has arranged the new fixture with Belton Woods and trusted that members had enjoyed their course. A revised membership list would be available before the start of the playing season. The Secretary closed his report by thanking Mr and Mrs Johnson for their help and Mr Maurice Colls, the Club Secretary (and Section member) for all his help with fixtures and clerical assistance.

The Skipper commenced his report by thanking all members of the Section for their support during the year, which turned out to be such an enjoyable one. He thanked the OLDEST one of them all for the wonderful weather – no match was played in rain all season.

He then said that at this point he would have thanked the Treasurer, John Laverack, for keeping the finances straight and also for his unrecognised work in collecting the scores for both the eclectic and winter league.

Next he thanked the Secretary, John Packard, for his clear computer written notices drawing attention to the competitions and for taking on the additional role of Match Secretary. All the match arrangements made by Dennis Walker had gone very well.

Bert thanked Peter Chapman his vice for his help and support during the year. His only regret was leaving him for one match and was not able to celebrate Peter's hole in one.

Next to our matches, we played 20 and without exception they were most enjoyable which is of course the reason for holding them. We do, of course, try hard to win and were relatively successful. 10 wins, 7 lost and 2 halved:

Match Results 1995

Match	Home	Away
Sleaford	Won	
Doncaster		
Newark	Won	
Market Rasen	Won	
Belton Park	Won	
Belton Woods		Won
Holme Hall		Won
Canwick Park	Won	Won
Gainsborough	Won	
Ladies Autumn	Won	

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[typists note – there is no record in the Minute Book of which particular matches were lost and halved]

Over the matches played, 54 members took part although on one occasion only 17 players put down their names.

As to our competitions, the list of winners shows that the trophies were in general well spread. The most memorable result was that of Alan Davey in getting 45 points to win the Thimbleby Trophy, this despite his serious illness.

Competition Results 1995

Centenary Cup Rod Dudley Adams Trophy Wally Evans

Barrell Foursomes W Morwood/E Tomlinson

Seniors Trophy Alan Froggatt
Thimbleby Trophy Alan Davey
Pip's Pot Peter Chapman

Mitch's Mug N Hill
Eclectic Rod Dudley
RNLI Trophy D Walker
Winter League Geoff Watson

Pickering Trophy J Peck and W Morwood

Jackson Tankard Eric Cowpe

The final of the Pickering Trophy was cancelled due to the illness of Eric Foster but he received 3 golf balls along with his partner John Paragreen for reaching the final. 25

members took part in the inaugural Winter League and so far 28 have taken part in the this winter's event. Bert presented the Pickering Trophy to Bill Morwood (John Peck was on holiday) and the Eclectic Trophy to Rod Dudley.

The Skipper then thanked the kitchen and bar staff for the high quality service received which matched any received elsewhere. Bert then presented a bouquet to Keith Johnson for this wife Margaret who is indisposed – he sent her his best wishes for a speedy recovery.

In accordance with the tradition of the Section the Skipper proposed that £50 be donated to the charity of his choice, The Salvation Army. Bert said that he greatly admired the work which they do amongst the down and outs. This was agreed. The Skipper also proposed that £50 be given to the greens staff and asked those present to donate £1 each to the kitchen staff. This was agreed.

The Skipper then nominated Peter Chapman as his successor. He said that you are all aware of his enthusiasm and was confident he would make a grand skipper.

The new Skipper, Peter Chapman, took over the meeting and said he would do his best to maintain the high standards set by his predecessors.

Election of officers.

Vice-Skipper D Walker
Secretary J L Packard
Treasurer S A Mercer
Eclectic Secretary R Dudley
Liaison A Sadler

The Chairman of the Club Greens Committee, Bruce Minnitt, then gave a comprehensive report on the proposed fairway watering scheme. He informed the meeting that they had received several quotations for the work and for a new pond in the field near the practice field to supply the system with sufficient water. The installation of the system was in itself straightforward but permission was needed from the rivers authority and from the planning authority which it was hoped would be forthcoming. Negotiations were still taking place. Bruce explained that an enormous amount of water was needed to water the greens, the tees and the fairways. It would only be possible to water the fairways on a rota basis when necessary. The Skipper thanked Bruce for his excellent report and asked the meeting for any queries. Water engineer and retired manager of the water company, Roy Douse, advised Bruce to seriously consider installing a 4 inch supply main. He said that in his experience the cost was only slightly more than a 3 inch pipe but the benefits of the increased capacity enormous. Bruce said he would take careful note of Roy's advice. There were no further questions.

He also raised the possibility of a section sweat shirt and/or pullover and it was agreed to explore the matter via an expression of interest on the notice board.

Peter then declared the meeting closed.