Minutes of the 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on Wednesday 28th November 2001 at the Clubhouse.

Thirty members attended and apologies for absence were received from D Trafford, W. Holt, R. Ingram, D. Hutchison, E. Tomlinson, D Johnson and H. Brown.

The Skipper, J. Packard, opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

1. Minutes of the AGM 2000

The minutes of the last AGM held on Wednesday 29 November 2000, having been displayed on the notice board, were accepted on a proposal by L. Lowthorpe and seconded by R. White.

2. Accounts

The Treasurer, Mr A. Froggatt, presented the accounts for the year 2001. He explained that we have had a good year financially, mainly due to the Seniors Open.

Resulting from the excellent financial position he explained how the money had been distributed to various projects. We have funded the water feature on the 7th lake, two ball cleaners and two rubbish bins for the course.

The Treasurer recommended that the Seniors subscriptions should remain at £3 for the year 2002.

Skippers Donation to Charity

John Packard stated that the donation of £50 should go to the Salvation Army.

Ground Staff Christmas Gift

It was proposed by Mr C. Hotchkin that the Christmas gift be increased from £75 to £100. This was seconded by Mr M. A. Wood.

Beryl West's Retirement

It was proposed that the Seniors should give £50 to Beryl to mark her retirement.

Proposed R. White Seconded L.Lowthorpe

Secretarial Expenses

The Treasurer raised the need to reimburse the Secretary for telephone, postage and computer consumable costs. The sum of £25 was proposed.

Proposed C. Hotchkin Seconded G. Watson

Cash Surplus

Discussion took place to decide what should be done with the surplus money available. Items proposed – New shoe cleaners to be donated to the Club or subsidize the Vice-Skippers Away Day. It was agreed that the Away Day should be subsidized by £10 per participating member.

Proposed A. Sadler Seconded C. Hotchkin

Acceptance of Accounts

The acceptance of the accounts was proposed by L.Lowthorpe and seconded by M. A. Wood.

3. Secretary's Report

The Secretary distributed a fixture list for 2002. Most dates only changed by one day with the exception of the Ladies Matches which we have agreed to change from March to April and the Autumn Match to be played on a Wednesday instead of a Friday.

Another change to the fixture list is that the matches with Gainsborough Golf Club have sadly come to an end due to their requirement that they wish to bring 20 members to Torksey as we were permitted to take 20 to Gainsborough. We tried to compromise by suggesting we took 16 members to Gainsborough instead of 20, but this offer was to no avail.

Fortunately, to replace the Gainsborough fixture we have been offered matches with Woodhall Golf Club which we have accepted.

4. Skipper's Report

Skipper John gave his thanks to the Vice Skipper and the Committee for their support during his year as Skipper.

He also gave thanks to the Seniors Committee responsible for organizing the Senior's Open and to the Lady Members who ably assisted. He also thanked Peter Chapman for organizing the engraving of the trophies.

5. Match Review

During the year 2001 we had 20 matches resulting in the following results:-

Won 7 Lost 9 Halved 4

<u>Home</u>	<u>Away</u>
Snow stopped play	Lost 4½ - 3½
Rain stopped play	Lost $7\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$
Won 6-2	Lost 5-3
Won 6-2	Lost 6-2
Won 4 ½	Won 6-2
Halved 4-4	Lost 5½ -2½
Won 4½ - 3½	Lost 5-4
Lost 4½ - 3½	Halved 5-5
Halved 4-4	Lost 7-3
Won 6½ -1½	Lost 6-4
Won 6½ -1½	Halved 5-5
	Snow stopped play Rain stopped play Won 6-2 Won 6-2 Won 4 ½ Halved 4-4 Won 4½ - 3½ Lost 4½ - 3½ Halved 4-4 Won 6½ -1½

Club Competitions

Barrell Foursomes C Hotchkin and Prichard

A Froggatt Laverack Trophy A Froggatt Winter League J Packard Centenary Cup Adam's Tankard C Charlton Pip's Pot R Dudley Seniors Trophy A Giffney Wally Evans Charity Trophy A Giffney Mitch's Mug C Charlton Three Club Competition D Froggatt

Pickering Trophy R Dudley and D Hutchison

Eclectic R Tompkins
Vice Skipper's Away Day A Froggatt
Thimbleby Trophy R Tompkins
Jackson Trophy A Froggatt

The Skipper then presented the trophies to the winners of the 2001 competitions.

Seniors Open

The Seniors Open will take place on 10 July 2002. The same Committee will organize the day and Skipper John wished the Committee success on the day.

Election of Officers

Skipper R Tompkins
Vice Skipper L Lowthorpe
Treasurer A Froggatt
Secretary M Wood
Eclectic Secretary C Hotchkin
Committee Liaison P Walton

The Officers were duly elected.

J Packard, retiring Skipper, then invited the Skipper for 2002, R Tompkins, to take the Chair.

R Tompkins stated that it was an honour to be elected Skipper of the Seniors. He thanked J Packard for his assistance during 2001 when he was Vice Skipper.

R Tompkins then discussed the selection criteria for matches. He stated that all members of the Seniors were entitled to play in home and away matches but priority would be given to members who participated regularly throughout the year.

Slow Play

R Tompkins requested that Seniors should avoid slow play.

Footpaths

The Skipper requested that all Senior Members should use the footpaths provided.

Order of Merit Trophy

R Tompkins explained his proposal to run a competition over the season based on points awarded for merit. He has provided a trophy and this will be awarded to the member with the highest points covering the 2002 competitions, excluding the Barrell Foursomes.

6. Any other business

- (a) G Watson requested that we write to the Chairman of the Club stating our vote of appreciation to the Greens Committee and the Greens Staff for their efforts in maintaining a magnificent golf course during 2001.
- (b) Starting Times Monday and Wednesday. R Dudley stated that he was concerned that the Seniors are starting earlier and occasionally he finds it difficult to find a partner. He requested we should start later. Discussion took place with R Tompkins stating that he was reluctant to change what has worked satisfactorily over the years. G Watson stated that a change for the Seniors to tee off later could create unrest between other members who are scheduled to tee off after the Seniors. It was agreed that members should tee off on a turn up and go basis.
- (c) K Bray gave an update on D Payne's health, stating David's thanks for the cards and best wishes he has received.
- (d) <u>Seniors age qualification</u>. The General Committee of the Club has replied to the Secretary's letter stating that the reduction in the qualifying age down to 55 is at the Seniors discretion, therefore the proposal from last years AGM is accepted.

There being no further business the Skipper thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.