

**Minutes of the 36th Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on
Wednesday 19th November 2014 in the Clubhouse**

42 members attended the meeting. Apologies were received from John Gains, John Taylor, Tim Banks, Barry Bagnall, Charles Daybell, Peter Stern, Peter Pessol, David Dixon, John Haycox, Brian West, Tony Eastwood, Gary Cheshire, Derek Johnson, Dave Lill. Rob Wyatt and Pete Stevens.

The meeting began at 1.42 pm

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2013

The minutes of the 35th AGM held on Wednesday 13th November 2013 were adopted following a proposal by Bob Tompkins, seconded by Bob Sansom.

2. Treasurer's Report

For the third consecutive year a year-end reserve of more than £200-250 has been achieved. You will recall that my objective was to increase the end of year balance to this sort of level, to cover the annual commitments we have at the beginning of the financial year.

Based on a strong end of year forecast, the decision was made to pay a small subsidy/head for the annual dinner. This left both income and expenditure down by about £30 relative to 2013 so the surplus remained similar and the balance carried forward is £332.

After a rise in competition entries in 2013 entries, in 2014 they reduced by about 5%. In August, analysis revealed that the field in every one of the 2014 cup competitions had been smaller than in 2013. It was not until Mitch's Mug that we had a larger field – hardly surprising when terrible weather last year reduced numbers to 11.

This year, there have been slightly fewer competition entrants, more balls donated for 2s and much higher Frog receipts - a bit of a conundrum!! Perhaps, low handicap seniors are getting better, high handicappers getting worse or maybe people are more generous!

As a result of many more balls being won for 2s (11 in the Thimbleby Trophy alone including a hole in one), I have recently bought more, the second purchase in 2014, which accounts for the higher cost this year.

As last year, there have been no recorded deaths among Seniors past or present this year – our incoming Captain, John Edlington, has got a great deal to live up to.

Frog receipts were a record high at £216. Altogether the Section donated £357 to charity - a great result - with Captain Alan's chosen charity, St Andrews Children's Hospice Grimsby, receiving £266.

Thank you to Andrew Wallis for checking and approving these accounts.

David proposed that his report and figures be accepted as a true record; this was seconded by Tim Kelsey and unanimously agreed by the membership.

David further proposed that gratuities and honoraria as outlined in previous years should be implemented this year. This was seconded by John Squire and agreed by the membership.

3. Secretary's Report

I have nothing significant to add to last year's report. The Section continues to tick along without any major problems being encountered.

For the statistically minded of you:

We played 22 "proper" matches this year. We won 16, we lost 3 and we halved 3. We were unbeaten until our dear Club Captain, Mr Haycox, decided to mention this achievement in his Captain's Blog. We promptly lost the next match to Holme Hall. I believe this is known as the Commentator's Curse. Remember Kenneth Wolstenholme at Wembley – "it looks as if the cup is on its way to Sheffield". Then up popped Everton's Mike Trebilcock and off the cup went to Liverpool.

A total of 45 different Seniors took part in our matches and a total of 19 different people were successful in our various competitions.

The website continues to be well used. It has been accessed more than 12000 times this year, averaging around 39 hits per day.

Despite my plea for a volunteer to take over the Secretary's job, no one was forthcoming. Please note that I am quite happy to keep on doing the job as I actually enjoy the involvement. If I am elected as vice-Captain, please also be aware that the sum total of these tasks will not stretch me to the point of a nervous breakdown. The reason I asked for a volunteer is that I do not wish to be regarded as taking over the running of the Section whilst on a massive ego trip. Nothing could be further from the truth. If the membership is content to let me carry on doing the job, I am equally happy to keep on doing it.

Finally, I would like to thank Ian Paterson for once again taking away from me the onerous task of collecting and arranging engraving and presentation of our trophies.

4. Seniors' Captain's Report

Being Seniors Captain has been a wonderful experience for me and I hope I have served the section in a satisfactory manner.

The honour of being Captain is not as daunting as it can appear to be due to the smooth running of the section and the many people who contribute to the well-oiled machine known as Lincoln Golf Club Seniors Section.

I would like to acknowledge and thank David Lendon for his running of the Seniors' finances. His attention to detail is exemplary. Also Bob Tompkins who has made a remarkable recovery from his fall earlier this year and his continuing role of competitions secretary. A

special thank you to my vice-Captain, John Edlington, who has given his willing and able support to me throughout the year and also for his running of the Winter League last year. It is never difficult to find volunteers but I would like to thank Derek Johnson, Kevin Hardy and Steve Bradbury for their help on competition days and Derek also for his Away Day organisation.

Last but not least a special thank you to John May without whom the Seniors section could not function with the efficiency and success it now enjoys. I'm tempted to say I feel sorry for the man who becomes Captain without the support of John but I have a feeling it won't be a problem.

The continuing movement between Lincoln Golf Club and the Seniors Section has been very positive with Club Captain, John Haycox, and Club President, Terry Little, being instrumental this year. I would like to thank John for the support and help he has given me personally and for his tireless efforts not only with the Seniors but for the superb job he has and continues to do for Lincoln Golf Club.

I can't resist a last opportunity for a poem so here is my last attempt to introduce a little culture which is particularly apt for the Seniors Section.

"My heart was giving up the ghost
They told me what I needed most
Replacement of a heart valve sticking
That hindered my old heart from ticking
The surgery they said went fine
The used a part from some bovine
Now, on the golf course fine with dew
I have a tendency to moo!"

Finally, I would like to wish John Edlington every success for the coming year and I hope he enjoys his year as much as I have enjoyed mine.

5. Election of Officers

The following officers were proposed and seconded by those shown below then duly elected by a show of hands:

Appointment	Name	Proposer	Seconder
Captain:	John Edlington	John May	Alan Turner
Vice-Captain:	John May	Neil Kirk	Derek Johnson
Secretary:	John May	Derek Johnson	Neil Kirk
Treasurer:	David Lendon	John May	Jeff Kemp
Committee Liaison/ Competitions	Bob Tompkins	John May	Richard Howgate

6. Any Other Business

Proposed by Derek Johnson and seconded by Bob Sansom that the entry fee for competitions be reduced to £1 and that all entry fees be paid out as prize money. Derek apologised for not being able to attend the meeting and Bob Sansom read out his proposal. Some animated discussion followed for and against with some not able to cast a vote as they needed more information than was available in the proposal.

When asked how much the annual sub would have to be increased (to make up the income shortfall) should the proposal be agreed, the Treasurer said that his estimate was that the annual figure would have to be increased to £14 per head.

When a vote was taken, 5 were in favour, 31 against and 6 abstentions. The proposal was therefore defeated.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.09 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J May', with a horizontal line underneath.

John May
Secretary
19 Nov 14

Matches

Venue	Opponents	Result
Away	Radcliffe	Won 7 - 1
Home	Newark	Won 5 ½ - 2 ½
Away	Sleaford	Won 6 ½ - 1 ½
Home	Doncaster	Won 6 - 2
Away	Market Rasen	Won 5 ½ - 3 ½
Away	Elsham	Won 7 ½ - 2 ½
Home	Waltham Windmill	Won 5 ½ - 2 ½
Away	Newark	Won 7 - 1
Home	Market Rasen	Won 7 ½ - ½
Home	Sleaford	Half
Away	Doncaster	Half
Home	Belton Park	Won 7 - 1
Away	Waltham Windmill	Won 5 - 4
Home	Holme Hall	Lost 6 - 2
Home	Stoke Rochford	Won 6 - 2
Home	Elsham	Won 8 - 0
Home	Radcliffe	Half
Away	Woodhall Spa	Lost 4 ½ - 3 ½
Home	Woodhall Spa	Won 5 - 3
Away	Belton Park	Won 5 - 3
Away	Stoke Rochford	Lost 4 ½ - 3 ½
Away	Holme Hall	Won 5 - 3

Competitions

Competition	Winner
Winter League 'A'	Bob Sansom
Winter League 'B'	Duncan Gerrard
Winter League Overall	Ian Extance
Laverack Trophy	Richard Howgate
Barrell Foursomes	Derek Johnson & Dave Lill
Seniors Cup (QC)	Derek Johnson
Adams Tankard (QC)	Roy Taylor
Mike Wood Trophy (QC)	Peter Miller
Pip's Pot (QC)	Geoff Carman
Vice-Captain's Away Day	Ray Collins
Gordon Walker Cup (QC)	Ray Collins
Centenary Cup (QC)	Jeff Kemp
Mitch's Mug (QC)	Chris Pearson
Derek Croucher Cup (QC)	Jim Pointer
Thimbleby Trophy (QC)	Ian Paterson
Jackson Tankard (QC)	Phil Mason
Wally Evans Cup (QC)	Peter Stern
Eclectic	John Downs
Order of Merit	Bob Sansom
Savill Rose Bowl	Stuart Smith
Pickering Cup	Tim Kelsey & Bob Sansom
3-Club Competition	John Goldsbrough

Lincoln Golf Club Seniors

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 October 2014

Income:	2014	2013
Subscriptions	370	390
Competition entries	1297	1372
Donations		
Frog	216	154
Christmas	55	48
Wally Evans	36	44
	307	246
Total Income:	1974	2008
Expenditure		
Greenkeepers' gratuity/staff gift	150	191
Secretary's honorarium	50	50
Halfway house supplies	13	7
Captain's Sweater	60	63
Guests (Away days/Annual dinner)	102	64
Bereavement donations	0	0
Website fees	48	71
Charity donations		
Frog	216	158
Christmas (Deaf/hearing support)	55	48
Captain's charity	50	50
St Barnabas Hospice (Evans)	36	60
Prize money	563	558
Golf ball/voucher prizes	305	225
Forward Commitment - purchase of club towels		400
Annual dinner subsidy	228	
Acrylic draw discs	42	
Total Expenditure	1918	1945
Surplus of Income over Expenditure	56	63
Balance brought forward	277	214
	333	277
Represented by:		
Balance at Bank	333	677
Less Creditors		400
	333	277

D G Lendon - Treasurer

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In my opinion the above accounts are in accordance with the books and records presented to me.

A L Wallis FCA

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7.11.14