



Lincoln Golf Club Seniors

Minutes of the 38th Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on Wednesday 16th November 2016 in the Clubhouse

36 members attended the meeting. Apologies were received from Eric King, Tony Eastwood, Dave Lill, Richard Vigar, Jim Pointer, Stuart Smith, Roger Sadler, Nigel Harrison, Geoff Carman, Phil Mason and Bob Barton.

The meeting began at 1.20 pm

1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2015

The minutes of the 37th AGM held on Wednesday 18th November 2015 were adopted following a proposal by Ian Extance, seconded by Bob Tompkins. The membership agreed that the Minutes reflected a true record of the meeting.

2. Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to report a stable financial position and healthy balance sheet at the end of 2016.

For the fifth consecutive year, my objective of achieving a year-end reserve of a minimum of between £250 and £400 has been met, so that commitments at the beginning of the year can be covered. The year-end surplus has averaged £90 over the last 4 years. Consequently, our end of year bank balance has risen year on year. This year, I aimed for no surplus and we have ended with a small deficit.

The average competition entry was 33 and receipts and prize monies are a little higher than last year. The Senior Section always makes great contributions to local charity, this year being no exception: £660 has been donated to the MND Association (Captain's Charity), including £300 from the Captain's challenge and the total amount given through the year was £732 - more than ever before. The Committee decided to make a donation to the Club of £550 to create a secure area for the equipment and training aids used for getting youngsters into golf, through the Junior Academy and coaching lessons. The Committee were advised by one long-standing Senior that this valuable equipment (piled in a corner of a trolley shed) needed to be made secure from light-fingered individuals.

The effect of our annual donations to LGC has been to keep the scale of the surplus and year end reserve to sensible proportions but bank balance has risen year on year. Your





Committee feel that our finances (income) should now be restructured by the measures defined in the proposal to be considered by the members at the AGM.

The proposal (see Annex) does not require any change to the prize structure or the giving of a golf ball for 2s in competitions. Using conservative figures, the forecast indicates a neutral budget with a year-end balance (reserve) of £400, my target figure. We still have the ability and intention of making donations when circumstances lead to the accumulation of extra reserves, as is likely with our increased membership numbers.

Thank you to Derek Broddell for checking and approving the accounts, at short notice.

3. Treasurer's Proposal (See Annex)

David introduced his proposal and some discussion ensued, view for and against the motion being expressed. In the end, a vote was taken and the unanimous decision was to retain the status quo. As an addendum to this proposal, given that the entry fee for the Winter League was to remain at £5, Derek Johnson, seconded by Alan Turner, proposed that the prize money for this competition should reflect that for other Seniors competitions, ie, 50% of entry fees. This proposal was carried unanimously.

4. Secretary's Report

Nothing radical to report this year; it was just more of the same from previous years. Lincoln, like most Seniors' Section, has an admin system which has evolved over the years and requires very little tweaking. However, I have decided that, after what will be six years in post it is time to hand over the Secretary's role to someone else at the end of the 2017 season. I know I said this a couple of years ago and changed my mind but this is definitely it this time. I am happy to keep responsibility for the website but I really would like a volunteer who could shadow me next summer with a view to taking on the post in November 2017.

5. Seniors' Captain's Report

I would like to start this homily by quoting from the History of Lincoln Golf Club Seniors as compiled by Peter Harrod some years ago:

The primary aim of the Section was to foster social golf, with a competitive element, amongst like-minded individuals.

I hope that we have managed to maintain this ethos over the past 12 months.

For me, this has been a most enjoyable year. We have experienced mixed fortunes in the matches, playing 23 of which 11 were won, 9 were lost and 3 halved. Our aim is always to allow as many players as possible to take play in friendly matches. To that end, some 58





members of the Section took part in matches yet, on occasion, we still had difficulty in raising sufficient numbers. Speaking to my opposite numbers at other clubs as well as to those in our own Club who organise teams, this has been a factor across the County in 2016. No-one can identify a specific reason why; I suppose it is just one of those things as I have no idea what has caused this problem but when one has difficulty in filling 16 places for a match away to Woodhall Spa, the question has to be asked. It will be interesting to see if this phenomenon continues next year.

The competitions have been very well supported this year, with the exception of the Pickering Cup. This competition has yet to be finalised but that is my fault as I allowed an extension to one round which has resulted in the current situation. To that end, your committee, in consultation with Chris Pickering, has decided that the format will be changed from 2017 onwards. Part 1 of the Pickering Cup will take the format of a pairs Stableford competition on Wednesday 29 March. We will draw for partners at 8 am sharp. The top four pairs will then take part in two semi-finals – 1st versus 4th and 2nd versus 3rd. The semi-finals are to be played by the end of July and the final by the end of September. Hopefully, this revised format will attract greater participation than in recent years.

The most difficult decision we had to take this year was to drop Doncaster and take on Spalding. As we explained previously, every year the Section receives requests from other Clubs for matches and exchanges, no doubt because of the reputation and quality of our Club and golf course. The committee, after consultation with past Captains/Skippers took the decision and, from the lack of negative indications from our membership, this revision seem to have been well accepted.

I have been well supported by our excellent Secretary this year and would like to express my thanks to David Lendon for keeping an eye on the sums (a task which is absolute anathema to me) and to other committee members for their support. We hope that we have provided members of the Seniors with a platform on which they have enjoyed their golf in 2016. A final thank you to Kevin Hardy for his work with the Winter League and to Derek Johnson for his work in organising the Away Days in the winter.

I would like to congratulate all our competition winners this year. We have witnessed some spectacular scoring in 2016. Details of all prize-winners will be included in the Minutes of this meeting and may I remind you all that the Club prize giving will take place this Saturday, 19 November at 6 pm.

Finally, may I wish Geoff Arrand the very best of luck for his year as our Captain. Thank you.





6. 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	Geoff Arrand	John May	Richard Howgate
Vice-Captain	Ian Paterson	Geoff Arrand	Dinesh Shah
Treasurer	David Lendon	Bob Tompkins	Gary Cheshire
Competitions	Bob Tompkins	Barry Bagnall	Alan Turner
Secretary	John May	Bill Crone	Ray Collins

7. Any Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 1.45 pm

John May
Secretary
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Annex

Proposal submitted by David Lendon and seconded by John Edlington

Over the past 5 years the Senior Section has had a cumulative surplus of nearly £2000. We have seen a healthy and growing year-end cash balance after making a donation to the Club for a special project. The effect of our annual donations has been to keep the scale of the surplus and year end reserve to sensible levels.

With the objective of restructuring our finances but still making donations to the Club when circumstances lead to the accumulation of extra reserves, it is proposed that:

“the Winter League entry fee is reduced from £5 to £3 and the annual subscription suspended, with no changes to the defined competition prize levels (2015 AGM).”





Matches

Venue	Opponents	Result
Away	Radcliffe	Won 7 to 1
Home	Newark	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Away	Sleaford	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Doncaster	Half
Away	Market Rasen	Half
Away	Elsham	Lost 7 ½ to 2 ½
Home	Waltham Windmill	Won 6 to 2
Away	Newark	Lost 7 to 3
Home	Market Rasen	Won 6 to 2
Home	Sleaford	Half
Away	Doncaster	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Belton Park	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Waltham Windmill	Won 5 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Holme Hall	Won 5 to 3
Away	Belton Park	Lost 7 to 1
Home	Stoke Rochford	Won 6 to 2
Home	Elsham	Won 6 to 2
Home	Radcliffe	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Woodhall Spa	Lost 5 ½ to 2 ½
Home	Woodhall Spa	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Away	Stoke Rochford	Lost 5 to 3
Away	Holme Hall	Lost 6 to 2
Home	Lincoln Ladies	Won 7 to 1
Won 11 - Lost 9 - Halved 3		





Competitions

Competition	Winner
Winter League 'A'	John Edlington
Winter League 'B'	Brian West
Winter League Overall	John Edlington
Laverack Trophy	Bob Barton
Barrell Foursomes	Barry Bagnall & Stuart Smith
Seniors Cup (QC)	Peter Stern
Adams Tankard (QC)	Dinesh Shah
Mike Wood Trophy (QC)	Dave Lill
Pip's Pot (QC)	Ian Extance
Vice-Captain's Away Day	Gary Cheshire
Gordon Walker Cup (QC)	Barry Bagnall
Centenary Cup (QC)	Jeff Kemp
Mitch's Mug (QC)	Chris Pearson
Derek Croucher Cup (QC)	Paul Parkins
Thimbleby Trophy (QC)	Ian Paterson
Jackson Tankard (QC)	Richard Howgate
Wally Evans Cup (QC)	Steve Rogers
Eclectic	Bob Sansom
Order of Merit	Peter Stern
Savill Rose Bowl	Jeff Kemp
Pickering Cup	
3-Club Competition	Bob Sansom





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Income and Expenditure Account – Year Ended 31 October 2016

<u>Income</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Subscriptions	435	402
Competition entries	1460	1414
Charity donations – Frog	223	290
Christmas	76	61
Wally Evans	80	72
Total Income	2274	2239

Expenditure/Outgoings

Greenkeepers' gratuity	150	150
Secretary's honorarium	50	50
Halfway house supplies	12	11
Captains' sweater	65	65
Guests (Annual dinner)	80	80
Bereavement donations	30	60
Website fees	59	59
Charity donations – Frog (MND Association)	230	290
Christmas (RNLI)	76	61
Capt charity (MND Assoc'n)	50	50
Evans (MND Association)	80	72
Prize money	604	583
Golf ball/voucher prizes	280	180
Sponsorship of 12 th tee - new furniture		400
Donation to LGC (secure area for jun'r equip't)	550	
Misc (2015 - spare keys, replacement frog)		31
Total Expenditure	2316	2142
Surplus of Income over Expenditure	-42	97

Balance Sheet

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Balance Brought Forward	430	333
Surplus of Income over Expenditure	-42	97
Cash Carried Forward	388	430

Checked and approved on the basis of the information provided

J. Brooker 31/11/2016
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D. Plender

