

# **Lincoln Golf Club Seniors**

# <u>Minutes of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on</u> <u>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 in the Clubhouse</u>

Of the 105 Registered Members, 31 attended the meeting. Apologies were received from the following 14 Members - Tim Kelsey, Brian George, Ray Brown, Don Leonard, Ian Extance, John Downs, Geoff Turner, Simon Morris, Phil Mason, John Haycox, David Bussey, Dinesh Shah, Dave Lill, Eric King and Tim Banks.

The meeting began at 1:20pm

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019**

It was proposed that the minutes of the 41<sup>st</sup> AGM held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were adopted and reflected a true record of the meeting.

- Proposed Kevin Hardy
- Seconded Ray Collins
- Vote Carried unanimously

## **Treasurer's Report**

This is my third report as your Treasurer and the second full accounting year in the role. Throughout the year Covid has affected all our lives in many ways and this has included the management of the Seniors Section finances. This has involved further development of the use of online banking and I'm grateful to all members of their ongoing support.

In terms of income in 2020/21 it is pleasing to see a small increase in subscription payments. However, Covid restrictions saw the Laverack Trophy being scrapped and Winter League entries were lower. This meant that even though competition entries for the 2021 QCs increased, the overall income in 2020/21 from competition fees was down.

Regarding expenditure, the Committee recognised the excellent work of the Greens staff by increasing the gratuity. It was also agreed to increase the prize money paid out and in 2021 this was 62% of entry fees compared with 55% in 2020. A new three-year sponsorship deal was agreed for the 12<sup>th</sup> tee with LGC. However, two main items of expenditure were not incurred this year, no bereavement donations were needed and no suitable projects were presented which required a major donation from the Seniors to LGC. Consequently, the surplus of income over expenditure is higher than envisaged.

The Committee discussed the overall surplus of £1321.50 and agreed actions. Maintain the current income model. For the next three years, increase the prize money, including golf ball prizes, to equate to 75% of fee income. It is calculated this will reduce the surplus by around





£600 over three years. The Committee will also look to actively discuss with LGC appropriate projects which the Seniors Section can support. The Committee will also look to donate any further surpluses arising to charity.

It is recommended for 2021/22 the Annual Subscription, competition entry fees, bereavement donations and all annual payments are unchanged. It is also recommended that for the next three years the prize money, including golf ball prizes, equates to 75% of fee income. These proposals are at Appendix 1.

Finally, my thanks go to my fellow Committee members for an excellent working relationship this year and to all Seniors for their support.

Paul Stafford

LGC Seniors Treasurer 2021

It was proposed that the balance sheet for 2020/21be accepted as a true record of our financial situation.

- Proposed Paul Stafford
- Seconded Peter Stern
- Vote Carried unanimously

## **New Proposals**

# Proposal 1

That the Annual Subscription of £5 and competition entry fees remain unchanged

- Proposed Paul Stafford
- Seconded John Edlington
- Vote Carried unanimously

## **Proposal 2**

That all payments (greenkeepers gratuity - £200, Secretary's honorarium - £50) and the bereavement donation of £40, remain unchanged

- Proposed Paul Stafford
- Seconded Stephen Friend
- Vote Carried unanimously





## Proposal 3

That the prize money, including golf ball prizes, is increased for the next 3 accounting years to 75% of fee income.

- Proposed Paul Stafford
- Seconded Alan Turner
- Vote Carried unanimously

### Secretary's Report

We now have 105 Seniors' registered on our Members list. Between my Weekly Updates and our Website, I believe that we provide you all with the information that you need to plan your life around golf, and also to reference your performance over the year.

Due to COVID and the requirement to communicate by email and Intelligent Golf or through our website, there has been much less use of the notice board in the locker room. I think going forward electronic communication will take precedence and the notice board will be used to gather names etc for activities that are not on the planner.

There are ongoing discussions with the Club in regard to Seniors Matches. The biggest issue would appear to be pace of play during matches. I would encourage us all in 2022 to try and keep the matches moving around the course ensuring we keep up with the match ahead.

The Course is now in great condition and Judith's new Catering Team has provided great support to the Seniors Section through post match meals and the recent Seniors Dinner. Visiting teams have had nothing but praise for our Club and many of the visitors frequently comment upon how they will be returning to play in the Seniors Opens and AM/AMs.

If re-elected, I look forward to working alongside the new committee in 2022, and hope that we continue to have a thriving Seniors Section.

Derek Yelland LGC Seniors Secretary 2021





## Seniors' Captain's Report

For those of you who attended the Annual Seniors Dinner, much of what I have to report to you, you will already have heard. On the subject of the Dinner it was good to see the support for the function and I trust that all those attending enjoyed it as much as I did.

While CORONA Virus has had a huge impact upon our way of life, there is a degree of comfort that can be taken in the fact that no active members of the Seniors Section have been lost to the virus to date.

When I took on Captaincy in November 2019, I could not have imagined what the next 2 years would bring. While there have been many challenges to our routine as a Section, it is pleasing that this year, we have managed to play all our Qualifying Competitions, and all but the first 3 of our planned inter club matches.

We are now a Section of 105 members and between 30 and 40 have turned out regularly to compete for our 12 long established Competitions. This year we had one extra Competition which was the Maurice Featherstone Memorial Trophy which was played for by the winners of the individual competitions during the year, to decide the Senior Section's Champion of Champions. Congratulations go to Dave Dixon who won the inaugural run of the Competition. Maurice Featherstone was active as a founding member of the Seniors Section back in 1979, and was Seniors Skipper in 1983, and we owe much to his memory as we strive to retain our identity in an ever changing world.

Over 50 of our members turned out to play in the 22 Seniors Section Matches this year. While we started slowly, we rallied at the end and over the season we won 11, lost 10 and halved one. My thanks goes out to all who played, and supported the long standing routine of partaking in the post match meals and entertaining our guests, and of course having the good grace to laugh at my moral based jokes. Additionally, can I again thank all those who volunteered to run the halfway house during matches, your efforts are appreciated not only by us but all those who have visited. I hope that we can continue to convince the Club Management that our matches bring value to the reputation of the Club and the financial rewards that they bring to Catering and Bar.

There is little to be gained by looking back at the last 2 years and the things that I had hoped to achieve in what was to be my year of Captaincy. Prime among the list would have been the 3 or 4 themed dinner nights that I had hoped to arrange. We





did at least manage to have the Berni Inn theme night before lockdown kicked in, and I believe that all who attended enjoyed it. While the Clubhouse, bar and locker rooms became the places where we used to meet to socialise, catch up, and of course pay our dues to the Frog, I was worried that the donation to my chosen charity of Heart Link, (a charity that was based in Glenfield but now the Leicester Royal Infirmary, and provides support to families of Children who have to undergo major heart surgery), would come up short. Thankfully, a work around system that relied on the honesty of players to declare their inability to hit and remain on the 6th green from the tee, allowed them to mark their card accordingly and thanks to our Treasurer Paul, monies were collected and when added to the donation made by Ray Collins who donated the entry fees for the Wally Evans Cup, I am pleased to announce that £550 was raised and has been presented. As lockdown eases and the locker room and clubhouse return to use, I have been very pleased to see the number of you who use the bar and catering after our "roll ups" while waiting for the results.

During my time in office we have had 3 different Caterers, all with very different approaches to catering. Judith, our current caterer has brought a business related approach to catering to the Club. She continues to settle in and I believe that the Seniors Dinner showed off what she has to offer and I, and I am sure that most of you, wish her well as her reputation grows. I do know that our custom support to her, as a Seniors Section, during matches, dinners and roll ups is greatly valued by Judith.

Looking forward, we now change over Captains on 1 January, and, subject to your approval later, I wish Paul every success. I am sure that given his positive attitude he will help continue the effort to inject some covid recovery life back into the section, and I trust that you will all offer him the same support as you have given me.

So, have I enjoyed my 2 years as Captain? The answer is yes, I have been deeply honoured to have been asked to hold the post and I hope that I have served you as well as I could in respect of some of the more challenging items that have presented themselves. I must take this opportunity to thank John, Paul and Ray for their support and of course many of you, during this time, I am sure that on occasions that the support helped to keep me sane.

Am I ready to handover? Yes, I think 2 years is too long and I am sure fresh blood and new thoughts should be healthy for the Section. To that end, I look forward to





my golf in 2022, within the fantastic golf section that we represent, within Lincoln Golf Club.

Derek Yelland Seniors Captain 2021

#### **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	Paul Stafford	Derek Yelland	Geoff Arrand
Vice-Captain	Paul Donnelly	Paul Stafford	David Hadfield
Treasurer	Paul Stafford	John May	John Downs
Competitions/Web	John May	Derek Yelland	Ray Collins
Secretary	Derek Yelland	Paul Stafford	Philip Mason

All proposals were carried unanimously on the floor.

## **Incoming Captains Address**

Thank you for electing me as your Captain for 2022, it is a great honour and privilege and I promise you that I will try to do my level best for the Seniors Section. On behalf of every single member of the Seniors Section I want to say a heartfelt thank you to two people. Firstly, to Derek, I don't think when you took up office as our Captain in November 2019 you could have ever believed the challenges that would be laid before you. Covid and all its subsequent ramifications, both for our members, our competitions, our matches and for Lincoln Golf Club has been a huge challenge. As our Captain and Secretary, you have had to both seek out solutions and then communicate them to our membership and other Clubs over the last two years.

That is not all, you've had to lead our match teams, dealing with a variety of opposing Captains and countless unexpected problems late at night before the match or even on the morning. You've had a nasty illness yourself, family medical concerns and your Mum's passing to content with.

Derek, throughout all these difficulties you have been professional, meticulous and incredibly hard working. I've come to know you as a man of great integrity who really does care deeply about the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors Section. You have represented us all with honesty, dedication and expertise, upholding the ethos of our Section at all times. You have made a huge difference Derek and I know that everyone in the Seniors is truly grateful. Thank you for the last two years, can I ask





every member here to stand and let's give you a huge round of applause.

I did say I wanted to say thank you to two people and this second person has threatened me if I said anything about him. Well, I'm if I'm subsequently found at the bottom of the bunker half way the 18 th you know what has happened. What can you say about John May? In the last two years he's set up new Competitions during Covid, he's re-instituted the Winter League, he's organized away days, he's offered expert advice on competitions and he has controlled the best Seniors Website that I've ever seen. He is simply brilliant. Three cheers for John.

Looking forward to 2022 I'm really looking forward to being your Captain, it's a great honour and privilege. I've set a theme for the year and its "Every Member Counts", which I hope represents the ethos of the Seniors Section, involving, welcoming, sharing and supporting. With regard to our programme as well as the matches, competitions and roll ups, I've listened to members comments and we shall be looking to play some Texas Scrambles during the year. There will be the inaugural Seniors Anniversary Trophy to be held on the anniversary date of our formation in March. There will be Captain v Vice-Captain match or this year Paul v Paul, as well as a Yorkshire v the Rest of the World Challenge with appropriate food to follow. I have one other personal aim as your captain, I do believe that every member does count so I'll be aiming to play each with all of our paid-up members during the year. Finally, I do believe in supporting our Club in its activities whether playing, social, in a committee capacity or in events that are run but above all I will stand up for the interest of our Section, we have a proud history, a wonderful ethos, an enviable reputation and excellent Seniors. We will go forward together. "Every Member Counts"

Paul Stafford LGC Seniors Treasurer 2021 (Incoming Captain 2022)

### **Any Other Business**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1:55pm.

Derek Yelland LGC Seniors Secretary 12 Nov 21

Attached: Treasurers Balance Sheet. Match Results Competition Results





# Attendance List





# **Treasurers Balance Sheet 2020/21.**

# Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31 October 2021

<u>Income</u>			2021	2020
			£	£
	Subscriptions		530.00	507.50
			1382.0	1588.0
	Competition fees		0	0
	Charity collections	Frog	368.40	102.61
		Christmas	0.00	106.00
		Wally Evans	72.00	86.00
		Рорру	0.00	0.00
		Other	0.00	0.00
	SFSS		0.00	580.00
			1692.0	
	VC's Away Day		0	0.00
			4044.4	2970.1
Total Inc	come		0	1
Expendi	<u>ture</u>			
	Greenkeepers' gratuity		200.00	150.00
	Secretary's			
	honorarium		50.00	50.00
	Halfway house			
	supplies		8.50	0.00
	Captain's Sweater		0.00	50.00
	Guests (Annual			
	Dinner)		50.00	0.00
	Bereavement			
	donations		0.00	0.00
	Website fees		47.99	69.59
	Charity donations	Captain's charity (Heart Link)	478.00	0.00
		Рорру	0.00	50.00
		Christmas	0.00	105.00
		Wally Evans (2021 Heart Link)	72.00	86.00
	Voucher and golf ball pr	izes	854.00	879.00
	Donation to LGC		25.00	201.42
	Renewal of Tee Sponsorship		250.00	230.00
	Miscellaneous		2.94	0.00
	Gifts in recognition		0.00	13.00
	-		1592.0	
	VC Away Day		0	100.00
	SF4SS		0.00	580.00





	3630.4	2564.0
Total Expenditure	3	1
Surplus of income over expenditure	413.97	406.10
Balance Sheet		
Balance brought forward	907.53	501.43
Surplus of income over expenditure	413.97	406.10
	1321.5	
Balance carried Forward	0	907.53
Represented by		
	1300.6	
Cash at Bank	0	887.53
Cash in Hand	20.90	20.00
	1321.5	
	0	907.53





# Match Results - 2021

Venue	Opponents	Result
Away	Sleaford	Lost 5.5 to 2.5
Away	Radcliffe on Trent	COVID - Cxl
Home	Market Rasen	COVID - Cxl
Away	Elsham	COVID - Cxl
Home	Lincoln GC	Lost 5.5 to 2.5
Away	Newark	Won 4.5 to 3.5
Away	Market Rasen	Won 5.5 to 2.5
Away	Grimsby	Lost 5 to 3
Away	Waltham Windmill	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Elsham	Won 6.5 to 1.5
Home	Holme Hall	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Spalding	Lost 5 to 3
Away	Belton Park	Lost 6 to 2
Away	Stoke Rotchford	Lost 6.5 to 1.5
Away	Spalding	Won 5.5 to 2.5
Home	Radcliffe on Trent	Won 6 to 2
Home	Belton Park	Lost 4.5 to 3.5
Away	Woodhall Spa	Won 5.5 to 2.5
Home	Stoke Rochford	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Woodhall Spa	Won 5 to 3
Away	Home Hall	Won 5 to 3
Home	Grimsby	Won 5 to 3
Home	Sleaford	Half
Away	Lincoln Ladies	Won 5 to 3
Home	Newark	Won 5 to 3
Won 11 – Lost 10 – Halved 1		





# **Competition Results - November 2020 to 2021**

Competition	Winner
Winter League 'A'	
Winter League 'B'	
Winter League Overall	
Laverack Trophy	
Barrell Foursomes	Simon Morris/Richard Howgate
Seniors Cup (QC)	Paul Stafford
Adams Tankard (QC)	Kevin Hardy
Mike Wood Trophy (QC)	Eric KIng
Pip's Pot (QC)	Eric King
Gordon Walker Cup (QC)	Greg Rigby
Centenary Cup (QC)	Don Leonard
Mitch's Mug (QC)	Steve Roebuck
Derek Croucher Cup (QC)	Brian George
Thimbleby Trophy (QC)	Kevin Hardy
Jackson Tankard (QC)	John Edlington
Wally Evans Cup (QC)	Ray Collins
Eclectic	Kevin Hardy
Order of Merit	Kevin Hardy
Savill Rose Bowl	Bob Sansom
Pickering Cup	Charles Dickens/Steven Roebuck
Vice Captains Away Day	Trevor Griffiths
3 Club	Trevor Griffiths
Maurice Featherstone Memorial	David Dixon

Attended Presentation. Apologies. No response





# 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021

# **Attendance List**

Name	Name
Derek Yelland	David Lendon
Paul Donnelly	
John May	30 Members attending
Paul Stafford	
Neil Kirk	
Ric Conway	
Alan Turner	
Stephen Friend	
Stuart Smith	
David Hadfield	
Richard Howgate	
Michael West	
Alan Littlewood	
Geoff Arrand	
John Edlington	
Phil Danby	
Ray collins	
Geoff Savill	
Kevin Hardy	
Ian Paterson	
Greg Rigby	
Peter Stern	
John Goldsbrough	
Steve Rogers	
David Dixon	
Chris Pickering	
Philip Pearson	
Trevor Griffiths	
Terry Riley	

