



Lincoln Golf Club Seniors

Minutes of the 45th Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on Wednesday 20th November 2024 in the Clubhouse

Out of a membership of 112, only 21 members attended the meeting. Apologies were received from John Downs, Dinesh Shah, Peter Miller, David Lendon, Ric Conway, Phil Danby, Kevin Hardy, John Haycox, Geoff Turner, Eric King, Ray Collins, Phil Biddle, Bill Sutton, Ray Brown, Trev Griffiths, Nick Todd, Ian Kent, Peter Stern, Terry Riley and Brian George.

The meeting began at 1 pm

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2023

The minutes of the 44th AGM held on Wednesday 15th November 2023 were adopted following a proposal by John Shaw, seconded by Phil Pearson. The membership agreed that the Minutes reflected a true record of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

This is my sixth Annual report as your Treasurer and the fifth full accounting year in the role. The accounts prepared for this fiscal year continue to replicate a format that has been used for many years and affords comparisons to be made on both income and expenditure.

In terms of income in 2023/24 subscription and competitions income remained strong. Donations plus tight monitoring of "Frog" contributors resulted in another healthy Captain's Charity collection. Payments and costs for four Away Days were channelled through the Seniors Bank Account for ease of administration and these amounts cancel each other out.

Regarding expenditure, the Committee continued to recognise the excellent work of the Greens staff by a gratuity. Prizes paid out were 74% of entry fees, in line with the financial strategy. Costs were mitigated by the kind sponsorship of the prize balls by the Pro Shop. We continued to support LGC by sponsoring the 12th tee.

The larger than planned surplus is due to no bereavement payments needing to be paid, no required purchase of a Captain's sweater and this year no financially supported project with





LGC. The aim in the next financial year will be to reduce the overall surplus in line with the financial strategy.

It is recommended for 2024/25 that the Annual Subscription, competition entry fees, bereavement donations and all annual payments are unchanged.

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

Paul proposed that we accept his balance sheet as a true record. This was seconded by Derek Yelland and carried by a show of hands

Proposals to be considered

1. That the annual subscription of £5 and competition entry fees remain unchanged.
2. That all annual payments (greenkeepers gratuity - £250, secretary's honorarium - £50) and the bereavement donation of £50, remain unchanged.

Proposed by Simon Morris and seconded by Neal Froggatt; carried by a show of hands.

Secretary's Report

I have nothing major to report from this season. Derek Yelland had the whole structure of the season sorted out before handing over (for which I was extremely grateful) and it was just a case of tweaking the odd event to cope with our ever-changing world. Next season is already in place and the fixture list will be published shortly. We actually have been given one additional friendly match – against Luffenham Heath, an outstanding golf course although it is a bit of a drive to get there. Luffenham Heath approached us through our Club Manager and he agreed that we could take on an extra fixture as Luffenham Heath play their matches home and away in alternate years. Consequently, we will play at their course in 2025 and at home in 2026. More detail to follow in due course.

I would like to express my thanks to my fellow committee members for their efforts this year, Paul and Paul have both put in an immense amount of effort to, hopefully, provide you with a programme which has been both testing and enjoyable.

I would finally like to say a particular thank you to both Simon Morris and Steve Friend for consistently getting up in the middle of the night. Simon for preparing the tea and coffee for every home match and Steve for setting up the Winter League virtually every week.

John May





Seniors' Captain's Report

It was my pleasure once again to lead the Seniors as Captain this year but it also reminds me of the sad circumstances that led to this situation. Graham Cartwright remains in our thoughts.

My thanks go to the team around me, in particular John May who puts a vast amount of work into running the Seniors programme. The same thanks go to Paul Stafford who continues to keep the books in order.

Thanks as well to Ric Conway who brilliantly ran the Away Day programme despite being scuppered time and again by the weather.

We have had the privilege of playing on a wonderful course and we are grateful for the skill and dedication of our greens team who have had to cope with such difficult weather conditions this year.

There has been the usual busy schedule of matches and competitions this year and my congratulations go to all our winners and in particular Gary Cheshire who won our tournament of champions the Maurice Featherstone Trophy.

This year 52 members of the Seniors took part in our matches. There have been several new additions to our section including a couple of low handicap players, Nick Todd and Lee Costello.

In the 2023 season the Seniors displayed formidable skill losing only 3 matches all year. In 2024 the competition was fiercer and the overall result much closer. However, there was a double victory over Woodhall Spa and a home victory over Belton Park to celebrate. In addition, one player, Shea Cogan, achieved a hole in one in our away match against Holme Hall.

There was a single drawn match but Lincoln came out ahead overall with a 13 ½ to 10 ½ result.

Lastly but not least, the Seniors also overcame a very competitive Ladies team.

As much as I have enjoyed my time as Captain, I look forward to handing over the mantle to next year's Captain Steve Friend and I wish him the best of luck in 2025.

Paul Donnelly





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	Second
Captain	Steve Friend	Paul Donnelly	Paul Stafford
Vice-Captain	Simon Morris	Steve Friend	John May
Treasurer	Paul Stafford	Ric Conway	Stuart Smith
Secretary	John May	Paul Stafford	Ric Conway

Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.12 pm.

John May
Secretary
20 November 2024





Matches

Venue	Opponents	Result
Home	Belton Park	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Away	Belton Park	Lost 5 ½ to 2 ½
Home	Coxmoor	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Coxmoor	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Elsham	Won 6 ½ to 1 ½
Away	Elsham	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Grimsby	Won 7 to 1
Away	Grimsby	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Holme Hall	Won 6 to 2
Away	Holme Hall	Won 6 ½ to 1 ½
Home	Market Rasen	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Away	Market Rasen	Lost 6 to 2
Home	Newark	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Away	Newark	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Radcliffe on Trent	Won 6 ½ to 1 ½
Away	Radcliffe on Trent	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Sleaford	Won 6 to 2
Away	Sleaford	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Spalding	Lost 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Spalding	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Waltham Windmill	Won 7 to 1
Away	Waltham Windmill	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Woodhall Spa	Lost 5 to 3
Away	Woodhall Spa	Half
	Lincoln Ladies	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Won 14 – Lost 10 – Halved 1		





Competitions

Competition	Winner
Winter League 'A'	Ian Kent
Winter League 'B'	Stephen Smart
Winter League Overall	Stephen Smart
Laverack Trophy	Ian Kent
Barrell Foursomes	Simon Morris & Brian George
Seniors Cup (QC)	Alan Turner
Adams Tankard (QC)	John May
Mike Wood Trophy (QC)	Stuart Smith
Pip's Pot (QC)	John Edlington
Graham Cartwright Memorial (QC)	Gary Cheshire
Gordon Walker Cup (QC)	Ian Fisher
Centenary Cup (QC)	Eric King
Mitch's Mug (QC)	John Shaw
Derek Croucher Cup (QC)	Bob Sansom
Thimbleby Trophy (QC)	Stephen Smart
Jackson Tankard (QC)	Derek Johnson
Wally Evans Cup (QC)	Derek Yelland
Eclectic	David Beech
Order of Merit	John Shaw
Savill Rose Bowl	Stuart Smith
Pickering Cup	Derek Johnson & Philip Barnatt
Maurice Featherstone Memorial	Gary Cheshire
Poppy Appeal	Bob Sansom
3-Club Competition	No Competition





Lincoln Golf Club Seniors Section				
Income and Expenditure Account for y/e 31st October 2024				
Income		2024	2023	
		£		£
	Subscriptions	595.00		560.00
	Competition fees	1748.00		1704.00
	Charity collections			
	Frog and Donations	400.00		450.00
	Christmas	192.00		100.00
	Wally Evans	84.00		76.00
	Poppy (not held)	0.00		130.00
	Other	0.00		0.00
	Away Days	3221.00		5560.00
	VC's Away Day	910.00		1980.00
Total Income		7150.00		10560.00
Expenditure				
	Greenkeepers' gratuity	250.00		250.00
	Secretary's honorarium	50.00		50.00
	Halfway house supplies	0.00		0.00
	Captain's Sweater	0.00		0.00
	Guests (Annual Dinner)	50.00		50.00
	Bereavement donations	0.00		150.00
	Website fees	69.59		47.99
	Charity donations			
	Captain's Charity (Trussell Trust)	400.00		450.00
	Poppy (Royal British Legion)	0.00		130.00
	Christmas (Air Ambulance)	192.00		100.00
	Wally Evans (British Heart)	84.00		76.00
	Voucher and golf ball prizes	1296.00		1256.00
	Donation to LGC	0.00		307.94
	12th Tee Sponsorship	250.00		250.00
	Miscellaneous	150.00		197.18
	Engraving	0.00		0.00
	Away Days	3221.00		5560.00
	VC Away Day	910.00		1980.00
Total Expenditure		6922.59		10855.11
Surplus of income over expenditure		227.41		-295.11
Balance Sheet				
Balance brought forward		955.19		1250.30
Surplus of income over expenditure		227.41		-295.11
Balance carried Forward		1182.60		955.19
Represented by				
Cash at Bank		913.63		782.97
Cash in Hand		268.97		172.22
		1182.60		955.19





Attendance List:

Paul Donnelly		Steve Friend
Paul Stafford		John May
Simon Morris		Neal Froggatt
Derek Yelland		David Beech
Roger Bayes		Rick Croy
Robert Ferguson		Derek Johnson
Gary Cheshire		Stephen Smart
John Shaw		Phil Pearson
Stuart Smith		John Edlington
Tim Banks		John Goldsbrough
Geoff Arrand		

