



South Kyme Golf Club
Rabbits Section AGM
11th March 2017



Minutes of the Rabbits AGM held in the Clubhouse on 11th March 2017

The Chairman, Andy Murton welcomed the Rabbits Members present and gave an opening address.

1. Matters Arising from the Minutes of 2016 AGM

There were no matters arising.

2. Minutes Of The 2016 AGM

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were agreed as correct, proposed by Bill Campbell and Seconded by Helen Kirschner.

3. Confirm Secretary's Position

The position of Secretary was confirmed as there was only one member proposed, therefore Helen Kirschner was elected unopposed.

4. Confirm Treasurer's Position

The position of Treasurer was confirmed as there was only one member proposed, therefore Gary Noble was elected unopposed.

5. Confirm Committee Positions

There were three members proposed for the three vacant committee positions and therefore the three members elected to the committee were Carole Fewings, Colin Bee and Andy Murton.

6. Finance Report 2016 – 2017

Gary Noble gave his report as Treasurer as follows:

The balance at the start of the year was £2,403.87 and the balance as of the 11th March 2017 was £3,477.74.

The amount raised this year was £2,117.87 this does include £540.00 from last year's AM/AM and £325.00 towards this year's.

We gave a refund of £60.00 to a team that was not eligible to play after they had put their entry in and paid £734.00 for the meals and prizes.

We had a collection for Mick Brummitt which raised £96.80, we then made that up to £150.00 which was sent to the Royal British Legion on the request of his Widow Madge.

We made a donation towards the new Captains Board of £100.00 so in total for the year our outgoings have been £1,044.00.

So the balance at this time notwithstanding any expenses that may crop up, the club may ask for assistance or the Club Captain on a project is £3,392.74 minus £325.00 for this year's AM/AM making our account at £3,152.74 these figures may be adjusted at the end of the month if any more monies come in or go out, before the end of the financial year.

2018 is the 20th year of the Rabbits Section, we are trying to build our funds up so we can do a standalone project which everyone will know was done by the Rabbits Section. If anyone has any ideas, they can be passed to a committee member for consideration. The committee decided to ring-fence £1,200.00 of our funds to put towards the project, and we hope to build on that during the next two years.

7. Captain's Report

Andy Murton gave his report as Rabbits Captain as follows:

Firstly, I must state it has been a privilege and Honour to have been Rabbit's Captain. Where has the year gone? It's simply flown by. Thankfully I have an able bodied committee; they have been brilliant in sharing responsibilities, making my task so much easier. Overall I think we have had a good year

Bashes

I am pleased to say we still have a strong section with an average of 32 players attending Bashes, with new members and some old ones returning. Congratulations go once again to this year's winner, Bill Campbell, with Ian Pears in second place. Over the same period, we run an eclectic competition this was won by Ian Pears.

This year I have been running a Captains leader board, this runs for the length of my captaincy and is based on an aggregate stableford points scored throughout the year. With the last Bash only 4 players remain in contention. Gary Noble, Bill Campbell, John Spooner & Ian Pears.

A special thank you, to all who have contributed to half way house. The cakes and pastries you provide are enjoyed by all!

Matches

I organised our matches allowing our opponents to choose whether they wanted breakfast before match or meal after. Teams were drawn from names put forward allowing a fair allocation 30 different players have represented Rabbit's this year a good representation of our section.

Unfortunately, we have only won one match against Horncastle and a draw with Kirton losing the remainder. Andy Davis had our Best win ration of 50% from 10 matches played. However, I think all that played thoroughly enjoyed the experience. I was particularly pleased to add Laceby Manor to our Fixtures. A challenging course worth the trip.

Other Events

At this year's Challenge cup the section players were provided with food as a reward for their continued support.

This year's competition was won by Colin Bee, in lieu of Mark Harbin, who although scored more points does not qualify to win Cup. Helen Kirschner won the Ladies competition.

This year's AM/AM had 16 teams, (despite 3 teams dropping out). It was good to see a home team winning with the Heckington Holers (Ed Bowers, Dave Taylor, Mark Walker and Colin Bannister, just edging out a team from Laceby

We are in our second year of our own singles Knockout cup with again some 24 players taking part. Alan Cowie was this year's eventual winner

Our initial Scramble competition was postponed from November and held in February. It was well attended and general consensus was to consider holding two of these a year. Our Lash in Sleaford went ahead with 12 Rabbit's having a good social night!!!!.

Tours Away days

Firstly a big thank you to Gary Noble for all his efforts in brokering some great deals for our tours. This year's tours were to Ullesthorpe in March, and an away day in July at Breadsall Priory. In October there is a weekend at Wensum Valley

Summary

So far so good, the section is continuing with some very enthusiastic support from both players and Committee. At the end of the day we are all here to enjoy ourselves, let's continue to have a laugh and occasionally hit the ball in the right direction

Finally, big thanks to the club for allowing our section to flourish, to the catering staff for feeding us, to my committee for all its support, to the Rabbit players for continuing to turn out. Last but not least, best wishes to Ian Scholefield who will be next year's Rabbit's Captain

8. Any Other Business

Mick Mawson gave an update to the Rabbits Members on his year as Club Captain.

Incoming Rabbits Captain presented Andy Murton with a Certificate of Appreciation and thanked him for his efforts during his Captaincy.

9. Close of Meeting

The Chairman duly thanked everyone for their attendance and pointed out that next year's AGM would be scheduled on the same day as the March Bash during 2018.