



# Minutes of the Rabbits AGM held in the Clubhouse on 21<sup>st</sup> April (rescheduled from 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2018)

In the absence of the outgoing Captain, Andy Davies the Vice-Captain welcomed the Rabbits Members present to the meeting.

#### 1. Any Matters Arising from Minutes of the 2017 AGM. There were no matters arising.

# 2. Minutes of the 2017 AGM

The minutes of the 2017 AGM were agreed as a correct, proposed by John Pearce and seconded by Helen Kirschner.

# 3. Confirm Secretary Position - (unopposed).

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

# 4. Confirm Treasurers Position - (unopposed).

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

# 5. Confirm Committee Positions (3 Posts).

There were three people proposed for the three vacant positions therefore the three members elected to the Committee were Carole Fewings, Mark Williamson and Eric Woods.

#### 6. Finance Report by Gary Noble.

Gary Noble presented the following report:

The financial balance at the start of the year was  $\pounds$ 3,707.74 and the balance as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 was  $\pounds$ 3,845.74.

Income raised during the year was £1,345.00. This includes entry fees for the Rabbits AM/AM.

Expenditure for the year included: £1,206.00 for a kettle and a vacuum cleaner for the Halfway House, a Winter Tee Mat on the 14<sup>th</sup> tee box, £150.00 on kitchen equipment and £440.00 for AM/AM prizes and meals.

This being the 20<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary of the Rabbits Section, £3,000.00 was ring-fenced for the celebration.

# 7. Captain's Report by lan Scholefield presented by Dave Burrows (incoming Vice-Captain)

lan expressed his thanks to Dave for presenting his report and apologized for his absence which was unavoidable and due to the original scheduled AGM being postponed to a later date because of the snow.

#### In Ian's words

'It's been a funny old time as Rabbits Captain; I was honoured to be asked several years ago by Andy's son Mark who was relocating and I found myself fast tracked which with my family changes actually has been a blessing.

I must thank Andy for his hard work and for stepping in on many occasions. He has been a great support to me with both golf and with juggling the family. Alongside Andy the section has a great committee who simply do what they do without question and my thanks extend to them.

However the Rabbits would not be the Rabbits without your good selves who turn up whatever the weather to take part. I thank Nick Milburn and Steve Smeeth for taking me under their wing a few years ago and getting me involved. I had a great time and the Rabbits have had some good fun.

I ask you to think of that word FUN, as this is what both Golf and the Rabbits Section should be about. It's fair to say that the role comes with no manual and by the nature of the Rabbits being typically higher handicapped we can at times make mistakes but these are errors not calculated. I hope Andy has a year of support as we embrace the 20<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary of SKGC Rabbits.

The Section has continued to build with Texas Scrambles their own Knockout, the OOM and of course the away days.

We have made some changes with regard to fixtures and continue to develop the schedule to provide a variety of courses and experiences. Not all clubs are as strong as we are as a section and although on occasion we are not up against equal handicaps at least we are able to keep things going and have FUN!

Throughout my Captains year we have been able to ring fence a significant amount of money for the Celebration and Project of Andy's choosing while continuing to support the club with developments such as the 14<sup>th</sup> Winter Tee, vacuum cleaner for the Halfway House and funding towards catering developments. Again all this is not possible without your support.

I must thank Peter and Tracey Chamberlain for their help as well as the catering staff. To the Greens committee, congratulations, it is with pride I was able to host Captains from other Clubs who are always complimentary about the course.

So as I draw to a close and have taken up long enough to make Andy sweat a little more about that POND to clear I wish you all well for the year ahead. Remember Andy it's very rare to get it in the pond behind you but some (cough) Michael have done it!

Enjoy your golf folks, keep supporting each other and having fun, embrace those who are new and show them what SKGC has to offer.

In the words of an old movie 'I'll be back – hasta la vista baby'.

#### 8. Any Other Business.

Andy Davis the incoming Rabbits Captain to send Ian Scholefield a Certificate of Appreciation and thank him for his efforts during his Captaincy.

#### 9. Close Meeting

The Captain 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 in 2019.