

SOUTH KYME GOLF CLUB SENIORS SECTION
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE ON THURSDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2016.

Present:

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| Neil Gilbert | Seniors captain |
| John Spooner | Vice Captain |
| Bill Dark | Treasurer |
| Paul Eales | Committee Member / Acting Secretary |
| Peter Williams | Committee member |
| | 60 members |

AGENDA ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES.

Pete Zammit, Alistair Grant, Pete Talbot, John Stephenson, Ray Duncan, Ian Brereton, Norman Beavis, Richard Atwell, Graham Horton, Rod Sanderson, Mick Young, Gerry Grimshaw, Tony Hall.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – PREVIOUS MINUTES.

Minutes of previous AGM held on 26th February 2015 were presented to the meeting. They were proposed as a true record by Martin Howard and seconded by Bob Palmer. The proposal was carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – MATTERS ARISING.

The proposal by Bill Dark that the handicapping for the winter league be changed to reflect the 14 holes that we play was a great success.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – CAPTAINS REPORT.

The Captain took the floor and asked for all members to rise and hold a Minute Silence in remembrance our much liked member, and friend, **Mr Arthur Brown** who sadly passed away. Our thoughts are with their loved ones.

Seniors Captains report 2015 / 2016.

I won't keep you long you all know that I'm not very good at making speeches.

I would just like to say that it has been a great honour to have been your Captain for the past year. I would like to thank John Spooner, my Vice Captain and the Seniors Committee plus the members for your help and support.

We have played 24 matches home and away. We won 12 lost 11 and halved 1. We could have done better but I would like to encourage you to put your names down for the matches and have a go. A big thank you goes to David Fensom and his staff for providing excellent match meals. We are the envy of all the clubs that we play.

My away day at Market Rasen was well supported and a great success.

The Open Am Am, Seniors Am Am, Captains Day and the Seniors Open were very well supported. I would like to thank my wife Loraine, Jane Eales, Wendy Grimshaw and Josi Towers for running the halfway house at these events. Also thank you to Maureen Dark for selling raffle tickets.

We held a presentation evening in February this year and it was a great success. We plan to do more in the future. The highlight of the evening for me was handing over a cheque to David Hyde from LIVES for £6,023.83. Thank you for supporting my Charity and donating prizes. A great achievement. I know you will give John your support.

My last task is to present John your Captain for 2016/17 with his jacket and wish him every success.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – SECRETARY'S / REPORT 2015/2016.

Hello all and welcome to the 2016 AGM, I'm sorry that I could not be there with you, but I know that I have left you in safe hands. I will keep this report nice and short because I'm sure you just want to go out there and play golf. (Hope the weather is kind to you)

I would like to start by saying that last year was a very good year, we included Spalding into our match programme and this year we are adding Blankney as well, but our calendar is full to the brim and we will not be able to take any more clubs on board. It was also a good year for me, I managed to win my second medal in 10 years, they come along every 5 years for me so you don't have to worry till the year 2020 which is when I'll be due to win my next one.

I would like to finish by saying a few thank yous. First of all to Captain Neil Gilbert for being our Captain over the last year, for taking care of the trophy buying and engraving, also for putting up with me and selecting me for matches even though he knew that I was going to lose.

To Vice Captain John Spooner for taking care of the Seniors Open and helping me with a few things as well, I wish John all the best for his coming Captain's year.

To Bill Dark for doing such a great job with looking after the finances and a very good job he does too, I should know I did a bad job of it for one year so I know first-hand it's not easy.

To Paul Eales for doing such a great job in scoring and recording the Winter League, the OOM and eclectic scores and every other thing he does for the section.

To Pete Williams for doing the monthly draw and the nice polite and gentle way he has in extracting money from us.

To Alistair Grant for serving on the committee for the last 2 years, sorry to see you go, and finally I would like to thank Phill Johnson for doing the booklet cover for me once again.

That's all from me folks, I wish John Spooner a very good year as Captain, and every one of you good health and a very good golfing year, see you next month.

Peter Zammitt

AGENDA ITEM 6 – TREASURERS REPORT

The Section has enjoyed yet another very successful year with 121 members and has quite often seen 60 to 70 plus of them turning out on a Tuesday and Thursday.

Successful events in raising funds for the Section again this year were the Seniors Open Day and the end of season Invitation Day which raised a combined total of £764. In keeping with previous years the majority of this, £750, was donated to the SKGC Club Project fund. This overall profit is up on last year, mainly due to increase in support for the Invitation Day. For the first time all 12 clubs we play in our inter club matches entered a team.

The ratio of weekly subs to that paid out in prizes this year was 77%. This does not include the Winter League which ultimately pays back in prizes 100% of that paid in subs.

The balance of our SKGC Club Project fund currently stands at £2409.14. From this we still have to pay £750 towards the cost of the drainage work carried out on the course and we have pledged £500 towards the new cooker for the kitchen.

Another very successful scheme was the individually funded Tee Marker project, thank you to all of you who funded a marker post, I am sure you will all agree they greatly enhance the appearance of the tees. This project came in at £87 under budget and this has been added to our Club Project Fund.

My intention had been to reduce the General fund to around £700 this year, however due to a change in format and hence costing for the Christmas Party this was not achieved. The main reasons for this were threefold. It has become customary to present the small band of wives who regularly assist at our major functions with a bouquet of flowers on the night, this will now be done at the invitation night in February (£100). The function was attended by less people this year (£50) and the food charge this year was a pound a head less than last year (£72). None of these were apparent when I set out my financial plan at the beginning of the year.

Copies of the audited Income and Expenditure account for the past year have been circulated and if anyone has any questions I will gladly try to answer them.

Can I please have a proposer and seconder that the I&E account is accepted by you the members.

The I&E Account was proposed as a true record by Alan Moore, seconded by John Coulson and accepted by all present.

Before I close I thought you might all be interested in an update the information I gave you last year on donations to Charity and to Club projects. That is since I first became Treasurer in 2007 as a section we have donated £39146 to charity and raised £9052 to support various club projects and improvements. That is a tremendous achievement, on behalf of all our Captains over these years thank you to each and every one of you for your support.

The breakdown of the charity money raised is as follows:

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| Prostate Cancer Research | £765 |
| Lincs/Notts Air Ambulance (over 4years) | £13,616 |
| LIVES (Lincs First Responders) | £8390 |

Not Forgotten Assoc (Disabled Military Charity) £3802
ORCHID(Research into Male Cancers) £4086
Parkinsons Research £5810
Royal British Legion £2677
Total £39146

AGENDA ITEM 7 – APPOINTMENT OF CAPTAIN.

It was proposed by Neil Gilbert and seconded by Bill Dark, that **John Spooner** be appointed Captain for the next 12 Months (2016 / 17).
The motion was carried unanimously by the members.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – APPOINTMENT OF VICE CAPTAIN.

It was proposed by John Spooner and seconded by Paul Eales, that **Bill Dark** be appointed Vice Captain for the next 12 Months (2016 / 17).
The motion was carried unanimously by the members.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER.

It was proposed by Pete Zammit and seconded by Martin Howard, that **Bill Dark** be appointed Treasurer for the next 12 Months (2016 / 17).
The motion was carried unanimously by the members.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY

It was proposed by John Spooner and seconded by Paul Eales, that **Pete Zammit** be appointed Secretary for the next 12 Months (2016 / 17).
The motion was carried unanimously by the members

AGENDA ITEM 11 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE.

It was proposed by Paul Eales and seconded by John Swift, that **Pete Williams** be re-elected to the committee for the next 12 Months. Motion carried.

It was proposed by John Spooner and seconded by Peter Zammit, that **Paul Eales** be re-elected to the committee for the next 12 Months. Motion carried.

It was proposed by John Spooner and seconded by Paul Eales, that **Neil Gilbert** be re-elected to the committee for the next 12 Months. Motion carried.

It was proposed by Pat Stewart and seconded by Pete Talbot, that **Martin Howard** be elected as a new member to the committee for the next 12 Months. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – PROPOSITIONS BY MEMBERS.

There were no proposals by members.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Alan Jude took to the floor in his own flamboyant style and explained that he had taken up

golf in 2005 and he absolutely loved it at South Kyme. He went on to thank the committee for all their hard work. He then produced a trophy to present to the Captain to be used for the Poppy Appeal Competition in November. Thank you Alan.

Melvin Moxon then said that on the Away Day he wanted to make sure that members who play regularly can get their names down because of a limited number of spaces. Bill explained that if that were to happen the Away Day club would be approached to add more players.

David Fensom thanked the seniors for their donation to his new cooker fund and their support.

Eric Langley asked if it were possible to have a booking in system on a Thursday for the following Tuesday so people don't have to hang around. Bill said that we have tried various systems before but because of numbers the system we have got at the moment works best. After discussion with the members it was felt that if it ain't broke don't change it.

Eric also asked if the Green 15th tee could be moved. At the moment you call the players on the 14th to play to the green. If the Tee was moved to the other side of the fairway you could carry on as normal and it would not be dangerous to players. Bill said that this is a question for the management committee and he will bring it up at the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 14 – HANDOVER OF CAPTAINS JACKET.

Ex Captain Neil Gilbert helped John Spooner into his new Captains Jacket.

AGENDA ITEM 15 – NEW CAPTAINS ADDRESS.

John thanked the committee for their help. He explained that his charity for this year is LEMA which is a local charity. He also thanked Alan Jude for the new trophy. Now let's get golfing.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 08-26.