

LINCOLNSHIRE UNION OF GOLF CLUBS

Minutes of the 118th Annual Meeting of Council held on Wednesday 31st January 2018 at the National Golf Centre commencing at 14.30hrs.

Present:

President- L.Toyne – (in the chair). J.Lammin (Imm Past President), H. Harrison (Hon Secretary/President Elect), C.Lloyd (Hon Treasurer), K.Moody (Junior Organiser), N.Harris (Hon Comps Secretary), D.F.Price (Voting Member), K.Farrow (League Chairman)

Past Presidents- P.Rogers, Vice President –S.Kellett

Officials –J.Barley, R.Kedzlie, P.Hull (Asst Junior Organisers), T.Haggerty (LSGA), J.Hodge (Honorary Life Member)

Club Representatives: - D.Culyer, S.Dickson, H.Castell, D.Leonard, R.Boot, G.Baines, D.Carter, M.Davis, P.Martin, G.Carpenter, M.Hyde, R.Burnsnell,

1) Apologies

J.Halmshaw, T.Ireland, JTR Price, D.Brotherton, P.Birkin, P.Morrison S.Brattan, A. Thompson, R.Wardhaugh, A.Keogh, D.Jackson, P.Davis, R.Newns.

2) Minutes of the 117th Annual Meeting of Council:

Proposed by Keith Farrow & Seconded by Neil Harris that they were a true record. Agreed.

3) Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4) Hon Treasurers Report:

C.Lloyd gave an overview of the accounts which had been circulated previously. Chris talked through where some reductions in expenditure had occurred, i.e. Auditors costs, Expenses & Insurances. Also talked through how the new affiliation fee process had worked in its inaugural year.

Proposed by Jim Lammin and seconded by David Price that the Audited Financial accounts be approved. Approved.

5) Per Capita rate of Subscription:

£8.25 to England Golf

£6.50 to the LUGC.

6) Hon. Secretaries Report.

Hon Sec gave a verbal report on how the golfing year had developed and thanked all the clubs and individual Officers & Officials who had put so much time and effort into making it possible for our club and elite golfers to enjoy their golf.

He congratulated Steve Brattan & his team on winning the Anglian League and thanked Jeff Flindall for his commitment to the 2nd team during his time in office. He wished Jeff all the best following his move “Up North”.

HH welcomed the incoming Seniors Captain Steve Kellett & Secretary Clive Skinns (both Past County Captains) and looked forward to some interesting discussions re funding for the seniors team!!

He thanked the course rating teams for their hard work and enthusiasm and also our team of county qualified referees.

The Little Imps go from strength to strength and a sincere thank you must go to two of our Past Presidents Peter Rogers and Trevor Ireland for their continued support and commitment.

In some ways it has been quite a difficult year so I must say a sincere thank you to President Les who has met all the issues with a calm reassurance and with his continued guidance we can look forward to a successful 2018.

7) Election of Officers:

President: L.Toyne, President Elect: H.Harrison, Immediate Past President, J.Lammin, Hon Secretary: H. Harrison, Hon Treasurer: C.Lloyd, Hon Comps Secretary: N.Harris, Junior Organiser: K.Moody, League Chairman: K.Farrow, England Golf Representative: D.F.Price.

Proposed by Howard Castell and Seconded by John Barley. Carried Unanimously.

8) Election of MGU Representatives:

D.F.Price, L.Toyne

9) Election of Auditors:

Rob Baxter

10) Election of:

Captain-S.Brattan, Vice Captain-TBC

Lincolnshire Schools Golf Association Representative – T. Haggerty

11) Election of:

Seniors Captain- S.Kellett- Seniors Secretary/Treasurer - C.Skinns

Asst Junior Organisers: J.Barley, R.Kedzlie, P.Hull, A.Keogh,
Lincolnshire League Secretary-T.Ireland.

12) To elect the Trustees

G.Kirk, J.Lammin, A. Thompson

Agenda Items 8 to 12 Proposed by Peter Rogers – Seconded by Dave Carter

Carried Unanimously.

13) Presidents Closing Remarks:

The President started his closing remarks by working through the golf season and how the first team had performed during the year culminating in a very close end to the Anglian league season and victory in the final match which meant we won the league. He offered a sincere thank you to County Captain Steve Brattan who had a long season both on and off the course and the President was delighted that Steve had agreed to carry on. He also thanked Jeff Flindall for all his work with the 2nd team (they finished 2nd to L & R in their league) and he went on to wish Jeff his and our best wishes following his relocation to the North East.

LT then went through how the season had worked out for both our Junior & Senior teams.

On an individual note he wished to congratulate Simon Richardson on his 4th County Amateur title followed by a tremendous win in the EG County Champion of Champions event. Congratulations also to Will Hopkins on a year when he won our Junior Championship (with a first round score of 64), he then went on to victory in the MGU Junior Champion of Champions. He qualified to play in the Daily Telegraph event in Portugal (finishing 4th) and played several matches for the 1st team.

He also wished to congratulate Richard Latham on winning both our Senior and Mid Amateur titles.

Off the course our finances are strong with a balance £91k. We have been diligently trying to reduce our costs over recent years with some success. There had been a concern about the level of our affiliation income over the past couple of years but he was pleased to see that, despite our fee being £6.50 over both years, we have seen a slight increase in the amount generated. However with an annual spend of circa £70k, (without our Boys, Mens or Seniors qualifying for the EG County Championship) he felt that figure was not excessive.

The Lincolnshire Golf Development Partnership continues to proactively assist clubs and golfers alike in their development. It should also be noted that in 2017 we were selected as one of 4 counties across England to be a pilot county relating to all aspects of junior golf, this was mainly achieved on the basis of how well coordinated the county is and on the potential to improve further from the sound base we already have.

The President said that 2017 had been an enjoyable year, being at County matches, events, visiting clubs and meeting many old and making many new friends along the way.

He wanted to thank all our clubs that hosted events and commended them for all their efforts on our behalf.

The President concluded by thanking all the Club Representatives on the Executive Committee and all the County Officers/Officials who had supported him during the past year.

He wished everyone a super golfing year in 2018 (unless you were playing against him)!!

14) Vote of Thanks:

Peter Rogers proposed the vote of thanks to Les, he expressed his gratitude for all the hard work he had done and thanked him for being so supportive of all the teams and in attending our county events. He had been an excellent ambassador for Lincolnshire Golf. Peter also went on to thank all the Officers/Officials and members of the Executive for all they do on behalf of the County.

15) Date-Time- Place of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 30th January 2019 commencing at 14.30hrs at the National Golf Centre.
Next Executive meeting is on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at Market Rasen Golf Club commencing at 18.15hrs.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 15.00 hrs.