

WOOTTON GOLFING SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting held on 18 June 2010 at Wootton Blue Cross Club @ 6.30 pm

In Attendance:

Committee

Peter Bone	Chairman
Brian Ward	Treasurer
Bernie Bone	Handicaps and Events
Andy Barlow	Newsletter

Members

Alan Ashpole	Andy Jones	Paul Nicholson
Lawrence Barlow	Paul Fisher	
Dermott Parker	Liam Parker	
Tony Brittain	Ben Ruffhead	

1. **Apologies** – Andy Summerfield, Gerald Bygraves, Jimmy Mears, Jo Bygraves, Keith Ashpole, Kieran Day, Larry Scott, Paul Fann, Paul Jackson, Simon Fynn, Simon Powell.

2. **Reason for AGM**

The reason the AGM was called is that due to the fact that money is paid over by the members and it was felt that they should know what their money is going towards. It was explained that now there was a bit more in the account trophies would now be presented for first, second and third place together with trophies for nearest the pin and longest drive.

It was also thought that the members should have some input into what was being decided.

3. **The Constitution**

Basically it was explained that the Society would meet once a month at a different venue for a game of golf.

4. **Membership**

Membership was explained ie that you do not have to be a member of the Society to play, but if you are not a member you cannot win a trophy.

It was agreed that an annual fee should be paid of £20 (Twenty Pounds) and is payable at the end of **January** in each year. If not paid by the end of January then you are still able to play but as explained above you will not be able to claim prizes.

The £20 membership fee went towards trophies and hopefully once funds do increase there may be an option for other items to be bought ie towels/shirts etc, etc.

A **VOTE** was called for a show of hands that a yearly membership fee be paid. The vote was unanimous for the membership fee.

5. **Treasurer's Report**

Brian then handed out a spreadsheet showing how the funds are used and what monies have been paid towards and also how much is earned from each match. It was agreed that every quarter the Treasurer would produce a spreadsheet showing everyone how the funds are being used what is left in the bank account. **Balance as to date 25/06/2010 is £238.19**

A **VOTE** was called for to confirm that the Treasurer produce a spreadsheet every quarter.

Coventry this is set for 21 and 22 October. The Treasurer explained that there was one space available and that he was still waiting for a few more deposits but otherwise things were in hand.

Oakhampton this is hoped to be played next year (2011) and the cost of which was mentioned. The Treasurer will be setting up a saving scheme whereby members can save towards this as the cost is likely to be £250/£300. Each member will be given a saving card.

6. **New Committee Member**

It was then discussed that a new member be appointed. This is to be a Captain who will be voted on by the members. He will plan the next year's events with the help of the Committee and give out prizes at events. There will also be a Captain's Cup to play for. Each year a different member is to be appointed ie from January to January but to be appointed in June of the previous year so that events for the next year can be sorted.

A **VOTE** was called for to confirm that Peter Bone be the current Captain until January 2012.

7. **Website**

The website was explained and the information is set out below

www.societYGolfing.co.uk

Log in – wgs

Password – wootton

There is a bulletin board, all the matches are set out with the dates, cost and timings so please check the site. If you do have an email address this would be helpful as a group email can be set up and it will be easier to get in touch with members. Please put messages on the site, but please do keep this **clean!**

8. **Etiquette**
Please try to dress as appropriate ie some Clubs do have a strict dress code so if you are not sure please email/call a Committee member and they will let you know the code. We need to make a good impression in the clubhouse as well.

9. **Timings**
Please try to be at the first tee 10 minutes before the first tee off, and please try to keep up as slow play is causing problems ie try not to mark your cards on the green, and remember to leave your golf bag in an appropriate place.

A discussion then took place with regard to gimmies.

A **VOTE** was called for as to whether gimmies should be given. It was decided that gimmies will be given as is up to the group at the time of play.

10. **Trophies**
There are to be prizes for first, second and third place as well as nearest the pin and longest drive.

Player of the Year – Best 6 stapleford scores for the year.

Singles Champion – Played throughout the year. Next year will be stroke play and will be drawn in January.

Double Champion – to be played at Chalgrave this year.

Captain's Cup – this year to be at Aspley Guise, Mentmore. A combined score

Wootton Cup - this is to be played in Coventry over the Friday and Saturday. Overall stapleford score.

Most Improved Player – to be awarded by the Committee.

Player's Player – this will be decided next year

11. **Presentation Dinner**
To be set for November/December. Wives to be asked to attend but will need to be paid for. Venue, date and timings to be known in due course.