WOOTTON GOLFING SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting held on 12 June 2012 at Wootton Blue Cross Club @ 7.45 pm

In Attendance :

Peter Bone Gerald Bygraves Craig Freestone	Chairman Treasurer Captain
Andy Barlow	1
Andy Jones	Alan Day
Bob Buck	Brian Ward

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1. Minutes from 2012 AGM

These were read and approved. Andy Barlow proposed and Dave Reilly seconded.

2. Committee Members and Membership

The current committee members all retired with thanks effective from 31^{st} December 2013 and the nominations for the new committee were called for. The following proposals were made for a new committee and accepted by all to take post on 1^{st} January 2013

Peter Bone – Chairman, Captain, Handicap and Events Secretary proposed by Brian Ward and seconded by Alan Day - Carried.

Gerald Bygraves – Treasurer proposed by Mick Payne and seconded by Andy Barlow – Carried.

Craig Freestone – Committee member, proposed by Bob Buck and seconded by Rob Capener – Carried.

Andy Barlow – Committee, proposed by Tony Freestone and seconded by Ross Capel – Carried

Ricky Day – Committee and Blue Cross Representative, proposed by Andy Jones and seconded by David Moon – Carried.

Lawrence Young – Committee Member, proposed by Mick Payne and seconded by Tony Freestone.

The Chairman thanked the stood down committee members for all their work and effort.

3. Chairman's Report.

The chairmen covered the following points and expanded on them:

Websites: Chairman urged more use of Society Golfing

Committee: The WGS is run by the committee for all members, the committee is voted on as a democracy.

Singles and Doubles: Chairman once again stated that members had plenty of time to organise games and get them played by the dates stated. There are to be no exceptions unless cleared by the committee in exceptional circumstances.

Events: Please arrive in plenty of time for all events which allows the committee to also get ready once all is organised.

Marking of cards: Ensure they are marked correctly and signed.

Dress Code: WGS has a dress code which we request all adhere to, this will stop Marshalls having to talk to anyone at the course, remember, we are a guest at their course and must adhere to their rules.

WGS Shirts and Tank Tops: The chairman showed all in attendance the WGS golf shirt and tank top and explained that all members that join will get a top as part of their annual fee, the tank tops could be purchased by anyone that wants them at a cost of £20 per top. It was also explained that there would now be no "gifts" each year and that part of anyone's annual fee would go towards supplementing certain major events.

The Chairman's Report was proposed by Tony Freestone and seconded by Brain Ward: Carried.

4. **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer handed out the Financial Summary to all attending and confirmed that the overall financial balance is quite healthy, standing at $\pounds 1,087.09$. He also explained the profit made at events to date, including the loss at South Beds. He also explained the other expenditure at present to all members. It was explained that the main income expenditure sheets were available to all on the treasurer's page on our website, the password of which is to be changed to be the same as Society Golfing.

It was also confirmed that Handicap Master had to be purchased for the next year, as well as our website together with a few more trophies. There was still to be some expenditure for the presentation evening at the end of the year.

The treasurer confirmed that our bank account was fully opened and functional and that members could pay in directly their subs or any standing orders for annual trips.

It was proposed that the annual subscriptions remain at $\pounds 20$ (Twenty Pounds) for the coming year and is payable at the end of **January**. 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 Treasurer's Report was proposed by Andy Jones and seconded by Dave Reilly: Carried.

5. Captains Report

The thanked all members for their support during the year and spoke briefly about upcoming events such as Whipsnade, Elton Furze and Collingtree Park which he advised all to try and attend due to the excellent course. He also confirmed that The Wootton Cup (annual Trip) 2013 would not happen in September, instead a 36 hole event would be organised instead. The Chairman stated he would look into it.

The Captain's Report was proposed by David Moon and seconded by Rob Capener: Carried.

6. Wootton Trophy 2015

The Chairman put to the members that he would like to organise a golfing trip abroad in October 205, he stated he needed an idea of members who would be interested as well as offering the use of the WGS bank account for saving for the event. This was discussed and a number of members stated they would be interested. The Chairman advised he would look into the matter in due course.

7. **Presentation Dinner – 2013**

The Chairman explained that at present there had been very little work carried out on the organisation of the presentation evening and asked members of their opinion, after some discussions it was agreed that the Chairman would send a questionnaire to all covering certain points and get an overall perspective of what members wanted.

8. **Committee Decisions**

The Chairman explained that if any members have an issue concerning the Society please can it known to a member of the Committee and hopefully this can be sorted out sooner rather than later and it then become a real issue.

9. **Any Other Business**

Brian Ward asked if there was a possibility of cutting down the number of events to about 4, the 4 events would be at better quality courses which would cost more, he added that this would cut down the actual cost of society events to members over the year. This was discussed at great length and there was a possibility that certain members may feel intimidated at hard courses and would not possibly attend. It was agreed that The Chairman would add this into the questionnaire.

The meeting concluded at 9.20

Peter Bone Chairman 12th July 2013