Etone Golf Society

Minutes of AGM held at Twycross Village Hall

Time: 7.30pm

Monday 9th December 2024

1. Present

Sohail Caratella (SC), Neil Bevan (NB), Dave Palmer (DP), Tony Hair (TH), Shane Harrower (SH), Nick Maling (NM), Phil McShane (PM), Geoff Rice (GR), Rob Luxton (RL), Andy Making (AM), Sean Mitchell (SM)

2. Apologies

David Oliver (DO), Stuart Oliver (SO), Alan Jenkins (AJ), John Oliver (JO), Steve Moore (SO)

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3 Matters Arising	2023 AGM minutes circulated and no matters arising. Minutes agreed as a true record.	INFO
4 Chairman's Report	 SC welcomed everyone and opened with congratulations to all the winners for 2024. The Players weekend was well received. A great presentation evening with 40 in attendance. Raffle was well received again. A total of £312.00 was raised in fines. Approximately half of the monies has already been donated to Mary Ann Evans Hospice (£150). SC highlighted that the Committee only the once this year. Finally, SC thanked all the Committee for their continued work and support over the year. SC also thanked PM for organising for what was once again a great presentation evening, RL for being a mighty fine compere and organising the raffle. SC said the pictures yet to be put on the website. We all now look forward to next year. 	INFO
5 Accounts	A total of 18 members Balance sheet circulated. Currently a balance of £2,210.94 on 9 th December 2024. No outstanding payments except one more deposit will be required for final event in 2025 as not yet booked. Account looks better this year with a few to build on it next year for the 2025 anniversary celebrations. SC said we need to build this back up again looking to 25 th Anniversary. SC highlighted at least 3 people have fully paid for 2025 weekend which is why the account looks healthy.	INFO

	We had 8 members that were paying by standing order. One of which is not a member but is paying for 2025 weekend away.	INFO
	Included in the balance sheet are the 8 payees and how their account status.	INFO
6 2025 Programme	SC presented 2025 programme where all 7 dates have now been booked & deposits for all the clubs have been paid. One date (last one) yet to be filled. Programme circulated for perusal with 3 new venues. A total of 20 places are booked for each course. Holiday for 2025 SC presented, namely St. Mellon, Devon as the venue. 24 places booked and all places already filled, which is excellent. 4 more places have been booked and will only go if the 4 ball is made up. All information for the St. Mellion are all on the website as well as the 2025 programme.	INFO
	All information on who has paid and attending is also on the website.	
7 Election Of Officers	SC highlighted that Stebe Moore did not respond to see if he wished to continue on the Committee and he had not replied. Therefore, he should be removed from the Committee. All agreed.	INFO
	It was agreed that all 8 Committee members be voted back on the Committee. All those present from 2024 Committee agreed to stand again. SC invited the floor for further nominations	INFO
	Voted in 2025 Committee	
	Chairperson Sohail Caratella Committee Members: Phil McShane, Alan Jenkins, Tony Hair, John Oliver, Neil Bevan, Rob Luxton, Geoff Rice.	INFO
	ALL AGREED	
8 AOB 8.1 SC Proposal - Extra Event	SC proposed the membership for 2025 be raised to £50 for adults and juniors to raise funds for the special society year to enable better prizes and events etc. After much discussion it was agreed to keep the membership as they are.	INFO
8.2 25 th Anniversary (2025)	SC would like members to think about 25 th Anniversary which is just around the corner. SC open to ideas and suggestions. Please come forward with them now or later to explore. This can't happen without appropriate funds in the account. Everyone to go away and think about ideas.	INFO

8.3 SC Resignation	SC Resignation: 2025 will be SC's last year as Chairman and playing in the society, so the Committee need to think about the	INFO
after 2025	transition next year for 2026. Things to consider: Chair, Website,	
	Newsletter, Banking, 2026 Courses, Weekend Away, Stock	
	(stored by SC – polo shirts, etc), NTP and Event Prizes, (e.g.	
	golf balls/wine), Cobblers Match, Files/Documents, Presentation Evening.	
8.4	Rule Change: E7 RL proposed Memberships for new members	INFO
Breakfasts	from 2025 onwards to be free to encourage new members. New	
	memberships also apply to previous members that are returning.	
	All Agreed	
8.5 EGM	TH proposed that an EGM be to determine the future of the	
	Society with SC resigning. This is to be half way through the	INFO
	season. The date and venue to be determined but it will be week commencing 23 rd June 025.	
	All Agreed	
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8.6 2024 Sponsorship/	The meeting would like to thank all the following for their	INFO
2025	valued and meaningful contributions:	
Sponsorship	The GR – Sponsoring half the wine as prizes	
	TH and SH have kindly offered to sponsor the prizes at an	
	event each next year. They will both let SC know which ones. Committee thanked them for their kind contribution.	
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Handicaps	GR suggested that the handicaps need looking at as it is unfair on RL to be playing off +2. After much discussion the following was	SC/INFO
	agreed: Society handicaps to be a minimum of 0 and maximum of	
	36. Any handicap changes the factor across all handicaps to be 0.3 up or down to a maximum of 2 shots. SC to make amendments.	
	All Agreed	
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8.8 Thank you	TH thanked SC in advance for all of his hard work and dedication over the past 24 years.	INFO

2025 Elected Committee	
Sohail Caratella (Chairman)	
Alan Jenkins	
Geoff Rice	
Tony Hair	
Phil McShane	
John Oliver	
Neil Bevan	
Rob Luxton	
First Committee meeting to be held early next year in March	
2025. Date and venue TBC.	
SC thanked everyone for attending and hoped to see them all next	
year.	
Meeting closed at 8.40pm	