

THE CHARTERED SURVEYORS' GOLFING SOCIETY

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE EAST INDIA CLUB
at 11.30 am on Thursday 12th January 2017**

1. PRESENT

The Captain David Aspey, the Vice-Captain David Rose, the Vice-President John Trumper, the Hon. Treasurer Colin Searle, The Hon. Accounts Examiner Michael Coates, the Hon. Secretary Andrew Rintoul, Fiona Stoddard and Messrs Aspery, Cook, Cunningham, Ditchfield, Emlyn Jones, Fisher, Hall, Hallett, Laurie, Lloyd, Martin, McAllister, Seymour-Taylor, Sheridan, Soskin, Stevenson, Ward, Webb and Wrigley . The Captain welcomed everyone particularly those who had travelled some distance.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Gilbert Adams and Messrs Ambrose, Dent, Desson, Edgcumbe, Gill Hannam, Higham, Jupp, Keenan, Leslie, McIndoe, Pyatt, Rice, Siegle, Stewart, Thompson and Tuck.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th January 2016 had been circulated and/or tabled and were proposed and seconded for approval by Messrs Seymour-Taylor and Hallett respectively They were duly signed by the Captain.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Any matters arising were to be considered at the Meeting.

5. ACCOUNTS

The Hon. Treasurer presented the Accounts. Subscription income was exactly the same as last year which was no coincidence. Tie sales were down by some £300 and the membership stood at 491 at the end of October 2016. Contributions to the Sections were increased by £1,000 to £4,500 and administration costs were some £1,300 more than in 2015 due to a number of events being held in Scotland. Subsidies to younger members increased to £2,968. The Treasurer's Account stood at £5,077. The Hon. Treasurer anticipated a small profit next year compared to the loss for 2016 of £463. The accounts were formally adopted being proposed by Simon Seymour-Taylor and seconded by Iain Laurie.

6. CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The Captain delivered his Report and initially thanked all the Officers of the Society and Match Secretaries all of whom had worked hard throughout the year.

The Captain had driven 20,000 miles on Society business throughout the year. He had enjoyed tremendous hospitality wherever he went and the only Section he did not visit was the North East but he did participate in a tri-party match involving that Section. He had enjoyed the whole experience there being many notable highlights particular his return to Aberdeen for the Captain v President Match where he was at University a few years ago. He ended by wishing David Rose and the Society every success for the coming year.

Following great applause David Rose assumed the 'Captain's chair' and congratulated the immediate past Captain on a fantastic year, full of commitment. He also thanked the Society for putting faith in him as the new Captain.

7. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE 2016

The Captain announced that his Vice-Captain would be Niall Sheridan. On the Committee John Keenan and Niall Sheridan retired by rotation. Tom Emlyn Jones and Robin Stevenson had kindly agreed to join the Committee. He then put to the meeting all the elections en bloc which were proposed and seconded by John Aspery and Alex Soskin respectively.

8. MEMBERSHIP

The Hon. Secretary confirmed that the membership at 31st December 2016 stood at 499 some 15 less than the previous year. There were 60 new members of whom over 50% were under 35. 27 members had resigned and 46 memberships had lapsed owing to non payment of subscriptions.

Sadly two members of the Society had passed away during the year :-

Tony Grayson was a hugely supportive Member of the Society over many years. He was National Captain in 1995 and loomed large in the North East Section holding all the posts. He was seriously involved in national and county golf and was Captain of Lindrick last year. Tony was a real gentleman, a very good golfer who always encouraged others particularly those who were a lot less able at the sport than he was.

Angus Taylor was Captain of the Scottish Section in 1985. He was a partner in F G Burnett's Aberdeen Office in the early 1970's. Before moving to Aberdeen he was President of the RICS Junior Branch in Scotland. He played golf from an early age at Elgin, Murcar and Deeside in Aberdeen. Angus was a very popular man, always last to leave the bar with a legendary sense of humour.

Both will be greatly missed.

9. ANNUAL DINNER

The Hon. Secretary reported that the 103rd Annual Dinner at the Royal Thames Yacht Club was a very successful evening, 70 members and guests attending. The main speaker Tony Cottee (the Glamorgan and Sussex cricketer) kept us entertained and conducted the successful auction which raised over £4,000 for Lionheart. The 2017 Dinner will again be held at the Royal Thames Yacht Club on Thursday 23rd February, the ticket price being £80. Members were encouraged to attend with or without guests. The Hon. Secretary advised the meeting that the main speaker will be David Williams, Chairman of the European PGA and Chairman of Ryder Cup Europe.

10. 2016 NATIONAL MATCH RESULTS AND THE 2017 PROGRAMME

The 2016 results had been tabled. The programme for 2017 was similar to last year although the National Autumn meeting venue had not yet been confirmed

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Hon. Secretary reported on the very useful discussion at the Committee Meeting and that TomeEmlyn Jones and Alex Soskin will take forward measures to publicise the Society.

The Hon. Secretary advised the meeting that Paul Swindin, a member of the North East Section for over 40 years had given up golf. Paul has been a stalwart of the Society and in recognition it was proposed and unanimously agreed that he should become an Hon. Life Member of the Society with immediate effect.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.27 pm

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