



Winterfield Golf and Sports Club

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Saturday, 11th June 2016, at 4.30pm

Present: - Graeme Turnbull, Gerry Santangeli, David Wallace, Jimmy Gallacher, Jimmy Barr, David Marr, Willie Daisley, Fiona Hendry, Andy Hendry, Mhari Nicol, Des Riley, Duncan Laing, Catherine Burton, Bruce Bull, Elliot Coulter, Elspeth Haston, Craig Clark, Pam Bull, Rae Muir, Bernie Mullen, Bob Wallace, Katherine Smith, Diana McLaughlin, Shane McLaughlin, Sheon Cairns, Diane Gibb, Alexander Coull, Bernie Treacy, Michael Treacy, Tom Brady, Peter Caird, Callum Richardson, Ian Sandilands and Kevin Willis. (34)

Apologies: - Robert Martin, Peter Blair, George Davidson, Patrick McComb and Judy McComb

Welcome: - The acting Chairman Gerry Santangeli declared the meeting open. First of all Gerry apologised for the non-appearance of last year's minutes, a breakdown in communication has meant that none were printed, it was agreed that the meeting will proceed with no matters arising.

This was the final annual general meeting of Winterfield Golf and Sports Club and the principal aim of the meeting was to finalise the make-up of the new Executive Committee for Winterfield Golf Club as per the recently adopted 2016 Club Constitution.

Final Accounts: - John Medley (House Manager) reported that an operating profit of £9216.50 had been recorded for the year to 31st March 2016. He reminded those present that in 2007 the house accounts were in deficit to the sum of £12500.

Today's figures reflected a slight fall in income from the bar, this is in line with the general trends of sports clubs across Scotland particularly due to

the impact of the new drink-driving limits. The bar was being well used and hopefully this trend will continue. The East Lothian Council grant is relied upon and we trust that this support will continue.

John then made himself available to answer any questions, with David Wallace seeking an explanation of the increase in the miscellaneous section of the Income balance. John reported that this was due to a change in the way bar vouchers were paid and accounted for.

Election of New Committee: - Gerry took the opportunity to state his opinions on how the vibe at the club was positive. The club was clearly a good club to be a member of, with membership numbers up particularly juniors. The course was in good condition and relationships with green keeping staff much improved. The arrival of Gordon and Philip as our joint Professionals has seen an upturn in shop usage and lessons. The stock was of high quality and the feedback has been excellent both for them and the club.

The hope is to keep this momentum going and this is a backdrop of many other golf clubs struggling. Clearly the signs are good but we will not be complacent. To this end the club is going to be run by one committee which will encompass the previous functions of the Men's, Ladies and House Committees. The hope is that those currently on these committees will put themselves forward for the various sub-committees. These roles will create an opportunity to gain experience and put something back into the running of the club.

The Executive Committee will comprise of 6 Office Bearers i.e. Captain and Vice-Captain of both the Men and Ladies Section a Secretary and a Treasurer.

The other committee members will be chairpersons to cover the following sub-committees:- House, Competitions, Greens, Social and juniors as well as two independents.

Nominations were to have been submitted by the 28th May and as a result there will only be a vote on the two independent positions as five nominations have been received.

Prior to the vote it was confirmed that the following people have been elected to serve on the committee:- Men's Captain Gerry Santangeli, Ladies Captain Rae Muir, Men's Vice-Captain Kevin Willis, Ladies Vice-Captain Pam Bull, Secretary Alexander Coull, Treasurer David Wallace,

House Chairperson Graeme Turnbull, Competitions and Handicap's Chairperson Craig Clark, Green's Chairperson Andy Hendry, Social Chairperson Diane Gibb and Juniors Chairperson Elliot Coulter.

The five nominees for the two independent posts were as follows:- Peter Blair, George Davidson, Jimmy Gibb, Fiona Hendry and Duncan Laing.

The Chairman explained how the vote would take place, with a show of hands for each nominee and the highest would be elected as the first independent representative. Each person present has one vote. The second vote would have the remaining four nominations available for election and the person accumulating the highest number of votes would be returned as the second independent representative.

The winner of vote 1 was Fiona Hendry and the winner of vote 2 was Duncan Laing.

Any other business:- There was a request that notices be posted in appropriate places seeking volunteers to be members of the various sub-committees.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 16.50pm (20 minutes)