

Golden Lion Golf Society

Annual General Meeting at RCGC on **3rd April 2023**

Present - Captain Kirk , Treasurer Dave W, Chairman Mick W, Social Chair Des A, Immediate Past Captain Dan , V-C Karl F , Pete F , Steve W, Dave E, Nigel A, David A , Lester J, Luke K, Malc G, Jason G ,Eric B, Stuey K , Richard Y, Lee R, Steve M, Dave M, Andy B, Dave B, Mark Mc, Tom H, Steve D, Andy D, Darren G, Lawrie F, James M, Ian T, Matt E , ...and me .

Plus 2 guests; Steve's son Frankie Davis and friend Josh Hasley – both members RCGC

Apologies recorded from - Graham G and Bryn W.

MW opened meeting at 7.20 pm

Captain Kirk reported.

- 1, Circulated a blackout.
2. Thanked the 3 Amigos for hosting his farewell outing at Cowdray- commenting a great venue enjoyed by all who attended and already provisionally booked again for March 2024.
3. Congratulated GG in his absence for winning OOM, and thanked Members generally for their support during his Captaincy year.
4. Reminded members of need to complete Singles and Doubles matches asap and in time to allow Trophies to be engraved and presented at Presentation Night (15/4).
5. Confirmed (with assistance of Treasurer) will be arranging for dispersal of monies raised for his nominated charity – Papyrus – as have indicated unable to send along a representative to the Dinner.

Treasurer - Dave W:

1. Presented some accounts showing:
 - (a) Account balance of approx. £1470 (with credit for some pre-paid deposits for future events), and
 - (b) Separate balances in respect of monies held following fundraisers for Papyrus and other local Charities and confirmed as per Kirky's comments will be arranging for some dispersals.
 - (c) Also some general comments and discussion (at this [point and repeated under AOB) about being slightly less specific in future events to allow more discretion for spreading monies raised amongst various causes as well as potentially applying likes of raffle takings back into Society funds.
2. Reminded Members about needs names of guests etc (tables of 10) and menu choices for Presentation Dinner on 15/4.
3. Mentioned about Subs which have been set at £20 for many years and as such may be due for an increase. Matter to be subject of further discussion under Adoption of Rules later in

meeting – but made the point that whatever figure agreed to be payable in advance before any Member can participate in an event.

Captain Kirk confirmed he had enjoyed his year, once again **thanked** his Committees (and in particular mentioned Des A and Tommy H for their fundraising exploits) and then invited **Karl F** to accept the case of office, swap seats and formally take over as **Captain** .

MW then dealt with the appointment of Officers.

Chairman – MW to remain in post.

Treasurer – Dave W to remain in post.

Secretary – RPK to remain in post (**but** made clear will be for the year ahead only) .

Social Committee Chair – Des to remain in post with Lee R volunteering to assist.

New V-C – Lester J volunteered and was appointed unopposed.

H/C committee - to comprise VC = Lester J , Pete F and Steve D.

And also welcomed Frankie Davis and Josh Hasley as new Members

Captain Karl then:

1, Thanked Members for his election as Captain, welcomed Lester J as VC and stated looking forward to his year ahead in respect of which his Nominated Charity will be **Motor Neurones Disease**.

2. Reminded members that **all golf info** will be accessible on the **Website** (where Events Planner has been for some months already) and stated intention is to re-establish monthly meetings.

3. Confirmed he will be running a Singles and doubles Comp in his year and will be confirming details at next meeting. Doubles – for which new sponsors will be required this year in place of Nigel M and Brian A – will be a 4BBB comp rather than Greensomes to avoid issues of type experienced this year and thereby allow for single payers to fulfil fixtures if necessary.

4. Confirmed attendance list for Bunny Run – get to venue for 10 for – and then on to the Funtley Club after for presentation.

Social Chair – Des A

Reminded Members of pre-existing dates in Calendar- Presentation night 15/4, Charity party 15/7 and bonfire 4/11. In addition will be looking into Social activities such as 10 pin bowling (and also mentioned GG's Goodwood trip in August).

A.O.B

1. Rules – the draft format having been produced at previous meetings and having been published on the Website for several months were- after discussion - formally adopted subject to 3 amendments:

(a) Rule 1- to be amended to make clear is use of Mobiles for making telephone calls that is prohibited.

(b) Rule 8 – maximum number of Members to be set at 50, not the 44 in the draft.

(c) Rule 11 – subs to be increased from £20 to £25 (rather than the £50 originally proposed).

2. Andy B made three proposals:

(a) a Blob fund

(b) worst golfer award of a “Crappers” toilet seat trophy

(c) changes to Handicap formula calculation

...al of which were briefly discussed and rejected.

3.In response Dan C suggested resurrection of the Fivers night concept which was broadly supported (subject to some mischievous comments about the need to keep James M and Bryn W away from the money ?!)

4. Steve D again raised the issue of incorrectly or incompletely completed score cards- to which Karl F confirmed there will be stricter enforcement in the year ahead.

5. Society Shirts – with two new members joining and others not having them Dan C offered to look into ordering some more

6. Karl F :

(a)confirmed – in answer to question from Dave M – that sign up sheets will be produced for next following event at the monthly meetings and priority will be given therefor to those physically in attendance or who have messaged him in advance.

(b)announced winner of Blackout as Dave E – with £20 and £20 to funds.

(c) confirmed next meeting is 3/5 at RCGC.

MW thanked members for attending and closed meeting 8.45 pm

R P Keeler