

EXMOUTH TOWN GOLF SOCIETY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting held at The Beachcomber, Exmouth
6.45pm - Thursday 21st January 2010

APOLOGIES RECEIVED; John Dibsall
Richard Beynon

MINUTES OF 2009 AGM – Agreed. No matters arising

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - The Chairman recorded thanks to all officers for their endeavours during the 2009 season. Thanks were extended to the retiring captain, Ken Wicks for executing his duties well. A special note of thanks to Nic Paris, who is stepping down this year as Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT – The Treasurer reported the current bank balance is £382 after allowing for deposits paid of £565. This is £236 below the starting balance for 2009. The main expenses relate to the end of the season prize giving.

HANDICAP SEC. REPORT – The Handicap Secretary advised that the system worked well during a competitive season. A combination of computer grading with human judgement (including agreement with committee members at the monthly meeting) seemed to be the most appropriate for the society. The Secretary emphasised that the marking of cards remains a common problem and players need to be mindful of this.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - The Secretary recorded that the fixtures for 2009 generally worked well with a combination of days used. Overall the attendance at each venue was very good. For the forthcoming season, a similar combination of days, times and golf with/without meals has been planned.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Chairman – Paul Marshall was re-elected as no nominations were received

Secretary – Phil Beynon was re-elected as no nominations were received.

Secretary – Steve Latham was re-elected as no nominations were received.

Treasurer – Nic Paris elected to stand down. John Dibsall was elected to stand with Paul Marshall proposing and Phil Beynon seconding.

MEMBERSHIP FEES -

It was agreed to retain the £20 annual subscription. All fees are to be paid by the first meeting at Lyme Regis. Any guests or members who have not paid their annual subscription will pay an additional £5 per meeting. Only paid up members cards will have their cards entered towards the days and seasons prizes.

Any new guests who pay the full membership subscription before teeing off on that day can have the score counted towards the day's prizes although full membership will still need to be passed in the normal way at the monthly meetings. The prize money for each event would be amended to £20 for the winner and £10 per second place. Nic Paris objected on the basis that this may deplete the society's funds.

All non members who attend the tour will be required to pay £10 towards the prize giving during the weekend away.

Finally, a contribution to enter the 2's competition will be additional to the cost of each event. The balls will be supplied by the captain or the vice captain.

PROPOSALS -

1) Proposal by R Mitchell

To replace our current handicap system with the CONGU handicap system.

A good discussion ensued. Mark Reynolds advised no system is perfect but the current system works very well. Phil Beynon re-emphasised the points made in the handicap secretary's report. Roy Mitchell wished to ensure this matter was fully debated and if members believe it should be changed, should attend and vote at the next AGM. The proposal was rejected but Paul Marshall & Phil Beynon advised that all members are welcome at the monthly committee meetings. This would enable them to witness the review of handicaps and allow them to air their views.

2) Proposal by G Clarkson

Put a system in place so the same players don't play with each other.

Again a good discussion ensued, Graham Clarkson had found in 2009 that he generally played with the same circle of players and there should be an effort made to ensure there was greater rotation. Paul Marshall indicated that one of the problems is that some players attend late (Steve Latham to take note!!) and this often means some juggling of groups.

The proposal was neither accepted nor rejected.

It was generally agreed that the best endeavours would be made to undertake a rotation system.

ELECTION OF CAPTAIN AND VICE CAPTAIN FOR 2010

Captain – Dave Lawson

Proposed: Ken Wicks

Seconded: Steve Latham

Vice – Mark Reynolds

Proposed: Dave Lawson

Seconded: Roy Mitchell

Meeting closed at 7. 30pm