

Fairfield golf Society
Annual General Meeting
Monday 2nd December 2013

Present:

B Williams Capt.

D. Hubbard Chair

R Blick Sec.

J Scarlett Social Sec.

All members except for those apologists – M Scarlett, M.Moore, A.Walters,
J.Adams.

1. Minutes of last meeting were taken as read therefore all items that are not
subject to proposal at this meeting are taken as in force for the coming year.

2. Committee reports

Reports were given by the Captain, Treasurer, secretary and Social secretary.

Summary

Brian summed up the season expressing his enjoyment of the role and wished the
next captain well.

David reported on the finances for which copies of figures will be attached. The
acceptance of minutes means that subs will be continued at £25 with insurance
being the main item purchased for all members.

Roger summed up on the administration of the club and distributed a proposed
fixture list for the 2014 season. Members are invited to accept or ask for
adjustments to suit personal diaries before the season starts. Roger informed the
meeting he would not be standing for re-election as secretary for the 2014
season.

Jeff summed up the social calendar with a general feeling of disappointment and
informed the meeting of his intention not to stand for re-election. He proposed
the abandoning of the role of social secretary in favour of individuals taking on
any social events in with their golf events. The committee to take on the
arrangement of full society events such as end of season, Christmas.

3. PROPOSALS

3.1 Simon proposed that the Spain weekend be an annual event and be an order of merit game.

This was seconded by Jeff.

This was voted in by 11 to 1 with 1 abstaining.

3.2 Andrew proposed that an order of merit game be organised for those not able to attend Spain. Richard pointed out that the published fixture list allowed 12/18 games to count allowing those not able to attend to still get in all games. Creating alternatives, causes precedents for any other game including the UK weekend.

The proposal was denied by 2 in favour, 10 against and 2 abstaining.

3.3 Jeff proposed that the on the Spain weekend only one round is taken into the order of merit. Tex suggested it should reflect the UK weekend being over 3 rounds. The proposal was carried by a vote of 11 in favour, 1 against and 2 abstaining.

3.4 Handicaps – Jeff proposed the system in force prior to the current one be reinstated; i.e. That the par level is standardised at 36 with points for nil returns.

After prolonged debate and an initially hung vote the motion was denied by a vote of 5 for, 7 against and 2 abstaining.

3.5 Danny proposed a change to the points system for the order of merit as 10 for 1st place reducing to 1 for 10th and below. An alternative proposal was withdrawn by Roger, points and comments made by Brian, Rich and Andrew. The proposal was denied by a vote of 2 for, 7 against and 5 abstaining.

3.6 Brian proposed that a minimum of 6 players must compete to qualify as an order of merit game. The vote of 5 for, 8 against and 1 abstaining resulted in the proposal being denied.

3.7 Jeff formally proposed that the social secretary role be removed. The proposal was carried in favour – 12, Against – 1, Abstain – 1.

3.8 Roger proposed a change to the spot prize system that with the exception of the hole in one that all other competitions such as the birdy are generally unfair to a significant proportion of the players. This included spots such as longest drive. Also the fact that the society is mature enough not to need prizes for 1st/2nd/3rd.

The consensus was to agree and make spots handicapped such as nearest pin in 3 allowing those with 2 shots for the hole 1 shot extra. Generally, attempting to make each, at the organiser's discretion, a fairer competition.

The proposal was carried with 10 for, 1 against and 1 abstaining. However it was clarified that while these were now not compulsory some suggested that it did not stop an individual if they wished to provide prizes.

4. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

4.1 Captain – Jim, Mike Buckley, Tex and Barry volunteered, Barry was voted in as captain.

4.2 Treasurer – David agreed to continue, which was approved unanimously

4.3 Secretary – Roger confirmed he would not stand. Nobody was willing to stand as secretary so a compromise where Jim agreed to coordinate handicaps with David taking on the additional role of secretary along with his treasurer duties. This was approved.

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1. HANDICAPS

The debate and dissatisfaction with handicaps produced further discussion with a proposal from Mike for the committee to consider proposals with Jim coordinating and leading committee suggestions. Proposals to be submitted by 10th January with an EGM to be planned to resolve handicaps by end of January.

2. Tex suggested that the committee arrange the presentation party.

3. Todd called for a vote of thanks to David and Chris for their hospitality.

4. Andrew proposed a vote of thanks to Roger for his services.

The meeting closed