

## FGS AGM minutes 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014

### Attendees

Barry Martin – Captain  
David Hubbard – Treasurer (Chair)  
Jim Harper – Handicap Sec.

Members present: Roger Blick, John Adams, Rich Gilbert, Andy Walters, Todd, Littlehales, Tex Peniket, Mike Buckley, Andrew Stelmasiak, Mike Moore.

Apologies: Pud Childs, Simon Jelf, Brian Williams, Jeff Scarlett.

#### 1. Summary of 2013 minutes

DH gave a brief revue of the minutes of 2013 AGM covering areas that would not be in question for the coming year as no proposals to change had been tabled.

1. Subscriptions to remain at £25 DH questioned meeting as to suggestions for deadline for payment. Generally agreed a deadline of 1<sup>st</sup> game of new season. Use of subs agreed to continue to buy members insurance.
2. Basic social events of presentation and Xmas party to be handled by committee rather than an appointed Social Secretary.
3. Spain trip to continue as an OOM event.
4. No lower limit on number of players to compete in a published OOM fixture.

All accepted these as minutes of meeting and standing conditions for the coming year.

#### 2. CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Barry summarised his year in office as “very interesting” with his main achievement being the collection bucket which he has decided will be donated to the Acorns children's Hospice at our presentation evening to an invited representative whom all agreed should be invited to attend with a partner for the evening at our communal expense.

Barry expressed thanks to DH for his support during an enjoyable year's tenure.

#### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

DH circulated accounts and summarised the financial position of the society as “solvent” We continue to be free of debt but deliberately hold very little cash. At this point approx. £8

The premium bonds held in syndicate have this year been liquidated to pay Jeff his winnings for his hole in 1. The fund is rapidly re-establishing for which all agreed that it should be reinvested in new bonds progressively as sufficient funds are accrued. This was duly noted as standing orders for new treasurer with syndicate to be continued for all fully paid up members.

The position of Marc Scarlett was asked to be clarified regarding eligibility for membership to society and his rights if not a paid up member. It was noted that committee would ensure the position was clarified as per previous standing rules.

#### 4. SECRETARY'S REPORT

DH summarised his year as secretary as “trying” and basically pleased to see it end. Main issues to look forward to is that presentation night and an extremely good weekend away is already booked. Regarding the failed Christmas party MB suggested a possible night out for drinks. Everybody suggested he took up the project on the OGGJ principle.

#### 5. HANDICAP SECRETARY’S REPORT

JH presented statistics and data derived from the handicap system on members performance and improvement. All agreed the system gave good information and reflected that all were happy with it. (a significant 1<sup>st</sup> for an AGM).

JH suggested a trial of an OOM system available within the system after some explanation and questions agreed to “dry run” it in parallel to the manual system for the coming season with the committee to revue and recommend.

All offered thanks to JH for his work.

#### 6. POINTS FOR DISCUSSION

Only RG had submitted points for discussion in this section. They were:

- a. That he thought the fixture list should be reaffirmed as “set in stone” once the committee had published to the website. This after consultation and approval. Swapping between members the solution to diary difficulties. The additional fixture now current to the end of November being in reserve for lost games through weather etc. and played as a “fun game” if not needed for OOM.
- b. Trophies to be treated with respect, and handed back promptly, cleaned and suitably engraved prior to next competition. RB reminded all that these 2 points were actually still standing rules of the society.

#### 7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

All officers stood down with Minute taker (RB) acting as chair for election. Prior to the election RG voiced opinion that society had drifted away from the original structure of management and that the captain’s role was not working in its current form. His suggested that the role be more a management role as previously to be the case. Debate was conducted and generally agreed though the title of the position was not really agreed.

It was decided that the committee be made up of the former positions firstly for Treasurer for which DH volunteered to continue, re-elected unopposed. JH also agreed to stand as Handicap Sec also re-elected unopposed.

RB proposed that if he would continue in the function he is currently performing, Andrew S would be an invaluable addition to the committee. To this, providing the role did not expand he agreed. Therefore Andrew was elected to the committee unopposed – position Senior Head of IT.(LOL)

The position of Secretary was resigned by Hubby who was not prepared to continue performing. Mike B nominated RB into the position with debatable title as effectively head of committee taking overall management of the society’s activities. RB accepted and was elected unopposed, title to be decided.

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Each member was asked for any other business.

Todd – Difficulties with Google docs account proving problematic to register for games. Andrew tasked to seek solution with help of Jim to organise a common tool for registering for fixtures.

Andrew – Proposed and volunteered to pose a “Rule of the Month” series to help all with improving our games.

Barry – Suggested Hubby be fixture against weekend away as he had already done the donkey work.

Meeting thus closed IN RECORD TIME with votes of thanks to Hubby to pass to Wilson for venue.  
Meeting adjourned to pub.