



Melrose Golf Club

Annual General Meeting 2017

Minutes

1. **Present** : As per the attached attendance sheet.
2. **Apologies**: Vivien Hogg, Jill Murray, Linda Wallace, Janet Brown, Sheilagh Hogg, Alan & Evelyn Watson, Iain Houston.
3. **Minutes of the AGM held on 12 December 2016** : Approved
4. **Captain's Report** : William Wallace reported on his year of Captaincy (See attached). William thanked the committee members for their work over the last year as he didn't realise until this year how much they all sacrifice for the good of the golf club. Special mention went to Sandy Whillans who consistently kept the course in excellent condition ably assisted by Douglas Pollock and Jim Fleming. He said that he thought the club could grow from strength to strength in the future with the Opens becoming more and more popular and also highlighted the first Charity Day held this season which raised a substantial amount for a very worthy cause. He also thanked on behalf of the Committee, David Gribbin, who has decided due to work and family commitments to resign from the Competition Secretary post and Keith Grieve, who is resigning from the House Convener position, again due to work commitments. Both David, over the last year and Keith over the last few years have worked tirelessly in their respective posts and have contributed much to the Club, I thank them both for their services and commitment to the Club.
5. **Treasurer's Report** : Douglas Pollock reported on the accounts presented (See attached). Douglas commented on various aspects of the accounts including the following:
INCOME :
Subscriptions down by £2,928 on 2016.
Visitor Green Fees increased slightly by £149 on 2016.
Bar takings substantially down by £5,044 with the coffee machine and courtesy drinks fridge continuing to be a reasonable assets.
EXPENDITURE :
Sandy Whillans kept the course in excellent condition with course upkeep costs reducing by £685 but machinery costs rising by £2,032.
Clubhouse running costs dropped by £1,820 mainly due to reductions in insurance, licence and rentals costs and cancelling business waste collection.

Generally accounts well down on last year with low bar income, falling membership numbers and slight increase in overall course upkeep contributing to a deficit of £4,575.
Douglas also highlighted that the 100 club continues to be successful.



6. **Membership Secretary's Report** : Mark Gillie presented his report to the meeting (See attached). He commented that with 2017 being the first year of having no 7 and 5 day memberships 18 out of the original 25 had remained as members.

7. **Greekeeper's Report**
Sandy Whillans presented his report to the meeting (See attached). He commented that the course was rated during the season by Scottish Golf to determine our standard scratch and after a tense wait for the outcome it was pleasing that it remained at 68 for the Gents and 70 for the Ladies tees.

8. **Election of Office Bearers** : The following Office Bearers were elected unopposed;
Captain – Steve Ervine; Vice-Captain – Bob Falconer; Secretary – Les Wallace; Treasurer – Douglas Pollock; Competition Secretary – Kevin Lochrie; Green Convener – Sandy Whillans; House Convener – Dave Shiel; Membership Secretary – Mark Gillie; Past Captain – William Wallace.

Ladies representatives to the General Committee; Lady Captain – tbc;
Lady Vice-Captain – tbc; Lady Secretary – Linda Wallace.

9. **Proposals from the General Committee** :
There were no proposals or motions presented.

10. **Any Other Business** :
Tom Clark asked if there was a proposal to install double glazing and what the cost may be. This was being investigated by the committee and costs were unknown at this time. He also commented that the club should be mindful of continued depletion of club reserves.

11. **Appointment of Captain for 2018** :
Outgoing Captain William Wallace handed over the Captain's pullover to Steve Ervine and wished him the very best for his Captaincy next year. Steve then thanked William for the honour of being Captain in 2018 and promised to do his best for the Club.
The committee presented a vote of thanks for William's efforts during his year as Captain in 2017.

MEETING CLOSED

Steve Ervine
Melrose Golf Club Secretary