

FLAMBOROUGH and DISTRICT RABBIT GOLF ASSOCIATION and ALLIANCE

FOUNDED 17th APRIL 1968

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on MONDAY 29th May 2023 at FLAMBOROUGH HEAD GOLF CLUB

The Meeting was opened by the President and attended by the Vice President Mr. M.Scutt and representatives from most of the clubs in the Alliance. 34 members attended.

APOLOGIES: - M White ,G.Ryan and D Thrower, M Wilson..

MINUTES OF THE A.G.M:- The minutes of the meeting held online were taken as read at the suggestion of the President.

MATTERS ARISING:- There were no matters arising.

CORRESPONDENCE: - There was no correspondence.

TREASURER'S REPORT The Secretary reviewed the figures in the accounts. They were adopted as a true reflection of the transactions of the year.

COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT The Competition Secretary reviewed the fixtures in the year. Two fixtures were lost to the weather, those at Driffield and Malton.. He pointed out that the scores over the season had been very close and that honours had been spread out through the member clubs, Belvedere winning the Golden Jubilee and the Alliance. North Cliff won the Silver Jubilee, Driffield the Lisa Jane, South Cliff the Amanda Clare and Whitby the Les Clarkson.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:-

Mr President elect, Secretaries, Stuart, Tony and fellow Rabbits.

It is with mixed emotions that I speak here tonight.

My year as President started superbly. I teamed up with my good friend Stuart to embark upon the series of Area Matches. Leeds Area came first with a Team loss, but Stuart and I won our match. A win at Branshaw (Bradford Area) seemed to steady the ship. Martyn stood in for me at Filey as I couldn't play. The Team lost at Kirkbymoorside against Wakefield Area, Stuart and I managed a half that day. I met a very enthusiastic Vice President that day, Tom White is his name, best of luck to him this year as Wakefield Area President.

The Plowright came next at East Brierley unfortunately I lost my match that day. Harrogate District came next, but the match was called off at the last minute due to very high temperatures being forecast. Sadly, the match never got replayed.

The match against the YRGA President, Robin Langhammer, at Driffield was halved, with Stuart and I winning again.

By this time though my health had begun to get worse, and I didn't feature at all in the Alliance Matches. My health got worse and worse. After a couple of stays in Hospital my health is getting back to normal, thanks mainly to the great care I received from our brilliant N.H.S. I would like to say at this stage a huge thank you to all of you who supported me through this bad time.

I would like to say a special thank you to Stuart and Tony for all the hard work they put in to keep the F&DRGA running as smoothly as possible, not forgetting all the Captains and Secretaries from all 10 Clubs in the Alliance, you all do a wonderful job.

I wish Martyn all the very best in his year as President of F&DRGA and the same to all the members as you are the ones that keep our Alliance alive and kicking.

Thank You

Geoff M Hodgson

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:- Mr. M. Scutt of Bridlington Belvedere was duly elected. He then took over as chairman of the meeting and expressed his feelings of being honoured to be elected and promised to do his best for the Alliance.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT:- Mr. R.Jackson of Whitby Golf Club was duly elected. Mr. Jackson promised his full support to the President and the committee.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY/ TREASURER:- Mr. S Fish was duly reelected.

ELECTION OF COMPETITION SECRETARY:- Mr. T Creaser was duly reelected.

STATEMENT BY THE WEBMASTER:- Mr. D Kirk presented a brief resume of the F&DRGA website and in response to the feedback he has withdrawn the proposition 5, given the popularity of the fixture "brochure".

PROPOSALS:-

1. Bridlington's previous proposal that all competitions be on a Stableford basis for a further one season was carried.
2. Bridlington's proposal concerning reverting to not having additional fall-back dates was defeated.
3. Bridlington's proposal that if a course is open regardless of the number of temporary greens a fixture should be played was defeated.
4. Driffield's proposal that the upper limit for handicaps be increased to 36 was not agreed but an amendment to 28 was carried.
5. Whitby's proposal to discontinue the brochure was withdrawn.
6. Malton's proposal to allow the cleaning of a ball anywhere on the course was carried. If a ball is on the fairway it may be placed in all other situations it should be dropped.
7. Links proposal that clubs should not be responsible to pay the fees of missing team members was rejected.

8. Filey proposal that Area Matches continue was carried.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman pointed out that the only competent business for the meeting was that previously notified.

Thanking the members for their attendance the President closed the meeting at 7.47 pm.