

# FLAMBOROUGH and DISTRICT RABBIT GOLF ASSOCIATION and ALLIANCE

FOUNDED 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 1968

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at BRIDLINGTON BELVEDERE GOLF CLUB

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

**APOLOGIES:** - D Thrower, J Lambert.

**MINUTES OF THE A.G.M.:**- The minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were taken as read at the suggestion of the Secretary.

**MATTERS ARISING:**- There were no matters arising.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** - The correspondence received was deemed to be dealt under the proposals .

**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. His report was short as a result of the weather affected season, with only three fixtures being completed. He reported that the trophies for this year will be presented at the 2025 dinner.

**PRESIDENTS REPORT:**-

Fellow Rabbits, I am delivering a short report because of the season we have had and my lack of participation. The season will speak for itself during the course of the Meeting. My participation was hampered by ill health and also receiving treatment so as not to lose two toes via amputation. With the hard work ethic of our Secretary, Stuart, and willingness from the Vice President, Richard, we were able to fulfil our fixtures against other regions with a mixture of success.

v Leeds at Scarcroft won

v Bradford at Whitby lost

v Vale of York at Drax lost

v Wakefield at Low Laithes lost

v Harrogate at Harrogate draw

v Harrogate at Filey won

v H & H at Crows Nest won

v YRGA at Belvedere won.

I did however manage to enjoy the hospitality of some other Area Associations by attending via invitation the Annual Dinner and Presentation evenings of Leeds, H&H, Harrogate and also the YRGA Xmas lunch. I have enjoyed my limited tenure which would not have been possible without the immense effort and participation of our secretary, Stuart, thank you once again. May the Association not only survive but indeed prosper.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**ELECTION OF PRESIDENT**:- Mr. M. Scutt of Bridlington Belvedere was duly reelected. He then took over as chairman of the meeting.

**ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT**:- Mr. R. Jackson of Whitby Golf Club was duly reelected. 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.

**PROPOSALS**:-

1. It was explained that Whitby who were leading the Alliance Challenge after three fixtures felt that they should be recognised as winners for 2023/24. The committee had declared this season's competition null and void as a result of the less than four fixtures being completed, which was understood to be the rule established in the past. In the event a search of minutes has not produced a definitive answer. After some discussion a proposal that in both the Alliance Challenge Trophy and the Les Clarkson Trophy be declared null and void in any season where less than four rounds had been completed was carried.
2. A proposal to establish a trophy cabinet at Flamborough was approved subject to Flamborough Club itself agreeing and suitable arrangements being made.
3. It was agreed that the entry fee for each player be increased to £10 for each fixture. Clubs not fielding a full team are expected to pay for missing players (this rule is already in place and its operation is upheld).
4. It was agreed the subscription for each club to be increased to £10 per club for the forthcoming season.
5. It was agreed that late season reserve dates be discontinued except that the Major & Jubilee, Amanda Clare and Lisa Jane competitions would be rearranged wherever possible [SF1].
6. The number of balls to be supplied for twos to be reduced to 4 dozen.
7. The maximum Handicap Index was agreed to be increased to 36.
8. The number of players per team to remain at twelve.
9. Buggies to be allowed in order to encourage older and less able players to take part.
10. All competitions to be played on a Stapleford basis in future.
11. It was agreed that the host club would in future be allowed to let a fixture go ahead, notwithstanding the number of temporary greens or indeed if some holes were out of play, at the discretion of the host club.
12. Host club to establish rules over; lifting, placing, leaves and bunkers GUR etc. for its fixture.
13. For the Amanda Clare and Lisa Jane trophies the lower range to be 15 -25 and the higher to be 26 -36.
14. Paul Robinson (Belvedere) presented his club's vision of a change to a Summer league competition with the major trophies still being a whole day. Martyn Scutt said that such a change should be studied by the executive and that they would report back to clubs.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Chairman pointed out that the only competent business for the meeting was that previously notified. The Competition secretary asked club secretaries to ensure that the forthcoming alliance fixtures are included within their club dairies for 2024/25 including reserve dates.

Thanking the members for their attendance the President closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.