



DOGS AGM

Minutes of the meeting held 9th January 2019

Welcome Chairman Tony Lowe welcomed **attendees.**

Tony Lowe (Chairman), Barry Pawley (Secretary), Ralph Stewart (Treasurer), Nigel Oddy (Social Secretary), John Dauphin (Handicap Secretary), Mike Housley (Captain), Susan Oddy, Barbara Lowe, Lynn Talbot, Nigel Carter, Mike Higgins, Garry Fisher, Paul Stirton, Alan Woodward, Wendy Woodward, Mary Kennedy, Maureen Colley, Ron Colley, Roy Hart, Peter Blackburn, Phil Goodman, Chris Hughes, David Darst, Tony Herring, Barbara Budd.

Apologies for Absence

Steve Kirsopp, Julian Dipper, Christine Pickering, Jim Pickering, Geoff Hillman, Keith Spengler, Peter Curtis, David Chatterton, Frank Shaw, Debbie Spengler, Kevin Darke, Phil Wilkes, Ailean Carter, Steve Westley, Rob Forsyth, Maureen Forsyth, Russell Andrews, Lynn Andrews, Janet Pawley, John Stiff

Matters Arising from 2018 minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 2018 AGM.

Chairman's Report

Tony reported that DOGS was going from strength to strength with new members and all venues well attended. He specifically thanked Barry Pawley for all his hard work, at times under trying personal circumstances. The BBQ was a great success enjoyed by all and also providing £600 to the Deddington Branch of the Royal British Legion for "Archie" the soldier sculpture who stood at rest on the village green before and after the 100th memorial remembering those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the First World War. Also many thanks to Rob and Maureen Forsyth for once again hosting the BBQ – to be held at Nigel & Sue Oddy's this year.

Tony closed by stating this was his last year as Chairman and that he had enjoyed his tenure.

He thanks all for the support given by members and committee over his seven years in the Chair.

Treasurers Report

Ralph Stewart (Treasurer) summarised the accounts for the year. Income and expenses were just under £12k with the closing bank balance standing at £3971 - £6 more than last year's balance!

Ralph urged attendees to pay their £10 subs at the meeting if they had not already set up standing orders.

Captains Report

Mike Housley was delighted to report a successful golfing year for DOGS with membership growing, new trophies, enjoyable away trip, memorable BBQ evening, charity support, and a win for Deddington DOGS V Dorchester DOGS.

Election of Officers

Chairman Tony Lowe thanked the membership for the support he had receive during his 7 years as chairman of DOGS and announced that he felt it was time to resign and welcome a new chair.

Lyn Talbot was proposed by Tony Lowe, seconded by Ralph Stewart and voted in as new Chairman by the meeting unanimously. Lyn thanked the meeting and looked forward to the increased involvement and requested that the title remain unchanged.

The positions of Treasurer (Ralph Stewart), Handicap Secretary (John Dauphin), Captain (Mike Housley) and Vice-Captain (Dave White) were voted in unanimously by the meeting.

Barry Pawley (Secretary) explained that due to family commitments he needed to stand down as Secretary but was still able to help with organising the golf days. The committee had therefore restructured the role of Secretary.

Nigel Oddy was proposed by Barry Pawley and seconded by Mike Housley to take over the role as Secretary responsible for all the administration of the Society. He will also maintain his role as Social Secretary, in particular organise the annual "jolly tour".

A new position of Golf Day Coordinator will be taken by Barry Pawley responsible for booking the golf venues and arranging prizes with Treasurer.

These changes were voted in unanimously by the meeting.

Program of Events

The committee had decided to trial having one of the golf days with dinner and prize-giving in Deddington to which non-playing partners could be invited. This would leave two days with dinner and prize-giving at the Club plus the golf day followed by the BBQ in Deddington.

Barry outlined the program as follows –

Friday, May 3rd Studley Wood followed by Dinner and Prize-Giving at The Deddington Arms. (It was stressed that if the idea was successful future venues would include other establishments in Deddington and Clifton)

Monday, 10th June - Olton Golf Club with dinner and prize-giving at the club

Sunday 21st July and Monday 22nd – Barnham Broom “Jolly”

Friday August 23rd – Cotswold Golf Club (Chipping Norton) followed by BBQ at Oddy’s

Friday 13th September – Kings Norton Golf Club with dinner and prize-giving at the club.

DOGS V DOGS dates TBC.

Details of timings and costs will be posted nearer the events.

Any Other Business

Golf Trip – Nigel reported that the initial response to the trip had been very positive and that we can take a maximum of 32 – he explained that we have negotiated a 1 free with 16 attendees which will provide the funds for prizes.

Handicaps John Dauphin confirmed that from the start of our season your handicap will be as your club handicap. If the member does not have a club handicap their last DOG’s handicap will apply. Handicaps movements during the year will be as last year.

Presentation of the Arthur Kennedy Memorial Trophy

Chairman Lyn Talbot presented the Arthur Kennedy Memorial Trophy to Phil Goodman. Phil had attended three golf days, won two, as well as winning team prizes and nearest the pin competitions. The award was applauded by the meeting.

Retiring Chairman

Before the meeting closed Lyn Talbot presented Tony Lowe with a gift of vouchers from the generous contributions from the membership in recognition of his leadership as Chairman. Tony has always ensured the sociability and fun element of the society - more important than the golf in ensuring existing members have a good time and new members are attracted to the society.

Nigel Oddy

DOGS Secretary