

ENGLISH GOLF UNION LIMITED (Trading as ENGLAND GOLF)
Company Number 05564018 (“the Company”)

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY HELD AT THE NATIONAL GOLF CENTRE, WOODHALL SPA, LINCOLNSHIRE AT 9:30 A.M. ON THURSDAY 19TH APRIL 2018

PRESENT:

MR N COWARD
MR N PINK
MS M BRASS
MR M PASK
MRS C ALFORD
MR A BOOTH
MRS P CROWSON
MRS J DEAN
MR J PETERS
MR D POOLE
MR I J WATKINS
MR L WILSON

MR R FINDLAY

MR S WILSON

MR J WILLIAMS
MR D J DUFFY

MRS D J BAILEY MBE
MRS S M BENNETT FCA
MR J C BENNETT
MR R CASE
MR N EVANS OBE
MR D J HARRISON OBE
DR D M MARSH MBE
MR P M BAXTER
MRS P BENKA-SIMPSON
MR W J F BRYCE
MRS E D EARNSHAW OBE
MR N EVANS OBE
MR P H FISHER
MR D J HARRISON OBE
MR A J HILL
MISS B JACKSON MBE Hon. D.Sc
MRS S JOHNSON OBE
MRS M A LOCKETT
MR R H PALMER
MR R SAUNDERS

ARTISANS GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION
BEDFORDSHIRE
BERKS, BUCKS & OXON
BERKSHIRE

CHAIRMAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
SENIOR INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR
INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR
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COMPANY SECRETARY

FINANCE DIRECTOR

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MR D SWIFT
MRS H MOLLOY (Proxy), MR D PARRETT
MR J KENNEDY
MRS N JONES

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
CAMBRIDGESHIRE
CHESHIRE
CORNWALL
CUMBRIA
DERBYSHIRE
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DURHAM
ESSEX
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HAMPSHIRE, IoW & CI
HERTFORDSHIRE
ISLE OF MAN
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LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND
LINCOLNSHIRE
MIDDLESEX
NAPGC
NORFOLK
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
NORTHUMBERLAND
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
OXFORDSHIRE
SHROPSHIRE
SHROPSHIRE & HEREFORDSHIRE
SOMERSET
STAFFORDSHIRE
SUFFOLK
SURREY
SUSSEX
WARWICKSHIRE
WILTSHIRE
WORCESTERSHIRE
WORCESTERSHIRE & HEREFORDSHIRE
YORKSHIRE

IN ATTENDANCE

MR T C REYNOLDS
MR G YATES
MR D TRICKETT
MR J BEARD
MR J D R WEIR

EXECUTIVES

MR R FLINT
MR J CRAMPTON
MRS T ALLEN
MR N EDWARDS
MRS J EGAN-WYER

MRS P COOK
DR S WITHAMS, MR A DUGGINS
MRS J PAYNE, MR R SCROWCROFT
MRS S ROWORTH
MR C HEATH
MR R WHEELDON
MRS Y ALFORD
MISS J SOUTHCOMBE, MR I HULSE
MRS C PASCALL, MR J F SANDERSON
MRS P DEMAN, MR R WALMSLEY
MR J MACPHERSON
MR D WHEELER
MR R COLBOURNE
MR G JAKEMAN
MRS M BROWN, MR J E POCKNELL
MISS B WHITING, MR A BARR
MRS P REMINGTON, MR K WHITFIELD-GREEN
MRS A SCURR, MR D F PRICE
MRS D ROWLANDS
MR P CUNNINGHAM
MRS H McALLISTER, MR M DEVLIN
MR M READ
MRS L HAMLIN, MR J FLETCHER
MR C BEE
MRS M QUINSAC
MRS S HOLLIDAY
MR G PALMER
MRS C PATERSON, MR N LONG
MR M EUSTACE
MR T RUBIN
MRS S PARRISH, MR J DAVIES
MRS S SMITH, MR R L SMITH
MRS I BARTRAM, MR J DUNCOMBE
MR R SMITH
MR S PRITCHARD
MS L ROBINSON
MRS S MILNER, MR D P SMITH

WINNER OF THE GERALD MICKLEM AWARD 2018
PROPOSER GERALD MICKLEM AWARD 2018
CHAIRMAN, NORTHERN COUNTIES GOLF UNION
HAYSMACINTYRE
WOODHALL SPA GOLF MANAGEMENT

PARTICIPATION & CLUB SUPPORT DIRECTOR
CHAMPIONSHIP DIRECTOR
MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR
PERFORMANCE DIRECTOR
OFFICE MANAGER/EXECUTIVE PA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

MR A F P ABRAHAM
 MRS E S AYLWIN
 MRS E A BOATMAN OBE
 SIR M F BONALLACK OBE
 MR M.N. DOYLE
 MR E H ELLIS
 MR J B FLANDERS
 MR N FORREST
 MRS A IRVIN MBE
 MR G W LOGAN
 MR J S SCRIVENER
 MR D M STEEL
 MR P H WILSON
 MRS G WILKINSON

MRS L BAGSHAW
 MR C POUNTNEY
 MRS J BLAND
 MR J HIRST
 MRS L CARRUTHERS
 MISS K WALSH
 MRS C JONES
 MRS L MANNING
 MRS R O'HARA

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2. PROXY ATTENDEES

BEDFORDSHIRE	Proxy
CORNWALL	Proxy
CUMBRIA	Proxy
DEVON	Proxy
GLOUCESTERSHIRE	Proxy
HAMPSHIRE	Proxy
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	Proxy
STAFFORDSHIRE	Proxy
SUFFOLK	Proxy

MRS H MOLLOY
 MRS S ROWORTH
 NONE FROM THE ASSOCIATION
 MRS Y ALFORD
 MR J MACPHERSON
 NONE FROM THE ASSOCIATION
 MRS P REMINGTON
 NONE FROM THE ASSOCIATION
 MRS M PEARSON

3. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 12th APRIL 2017

These had been previously circulated. The Minutes were approved save that Mr Nigel Evans was present. The Company Secretary would amend the Minutes and they would then be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

ACTION: CS

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

5. TO RECEIVE THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE COMPANY FOR THE YEAR PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017.

The Audited Financial Statements additional financial information and the report of Mr S Wilson, Finance Director, had been circulated with the agenda. The report was taken as read but Mr Wilson highlighted a few areas of note from the accounts and other areas of interest:

- The successful financial performance of Woodhall Spa Golf Management at the same time as investing in the development of the world class course merited mention.
- An operating deficit at England Golf was hidden by an increase in stock market investments. This deficit was due to inflation and a reduction in Sport England investment.
- Expenditure in 2017 was slightly below 2016
- Whilst reserves as at the end of 2017 had increased, due to an increase in investment valuations, the gain from this had effectively been wiped out in a drop in the FTSE in early 2018.

Mr Hulse enquired about how 2017 fees that were received since the accounts were finalised were treated in the accounts. The Finance Director explained that an estimate was made for this in the 2017 accounts and indications of the actual money received after the year end suggests it was slightly underestimated but not by much. The excess of income over this estimate will be recognised in 2018 but it is insignificant.

Mr Smith (Wiltshire) asked about the fluctuations in investments. The Finance Director explained that the investment income was more fixed but that the real market value can fluctuate by about 10% in each direction depending on conditions.

The meeting unanimously received the Accounts.

6. ANNUAL REVIEW 2017

The Chairman introduced the Annual Review and the meeting unanimously received the Annual Review.

7. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The Chairman invited the President, Mr John Williams, to address the meeting.

Mr Williams highlighted his experiences during his year of office. He outlined the many aspects of the game in England of which all involved should take great pride, and in particular noted the high quality of England Golf Championships and many England player successes during the year. He thanked the Past Presidents and the England Golf Board for their support and all of the counties, clubs, officials and staff who had made the year so memorable.

He expressed particular thanks to Mrs Egan-Wyer for her support throughout the year and presented her with a token of his thanks.

8. PRESENTATION OF THE GERALD MICKLEM AWARD

The Chairman introduced the presentation of the Gerald Micklem Award, an annual recognition of a person who has made an outstanding contribution to further the interests of amateur golf in England.

The President announced that Mr Trevor Reynolds, was the recipient of the award for 2018.

Mr Yates outlined to the meeting a brief history of Mr Reynolds's contribution to England Golf and golf in England over many years. Mr Reynolds was previously the Secretary/Manager at Saunton Golf Club; President, Treasurer, Championship Chairman and County Secretary at Devon Golf Limited; Honorary Secretary and President of the South Western Counties Golf Association and a member of the England Golf Championships Panel. Mr Yates also commended Mr Reynolds on the prominent role he had played in unifying men's and women's golf in Devon.

Mr Reynolds, in receipt of the award, thanked everyone within England Golf and the sport who had supported him over the years.

9. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT: MR DESMOND J DUFFY

Mr Dennis Trickett proposed Mr Desmond J Duffy as the England Golf President for 2018 and outlined to the meeting the professional and golfing history of Mr Duffy and the strong qualities to make him ideal to be President.

Mr Paul Fisher seconded the proposal and stressed Mr Duffy's qualities and experience in the sport.

The nomination was unanimously endorsed.

After formal welcome by Mr John Williams to the office of president, Mr Duffy thanked the Board for the nomination and the Past Presidents for their recommendation. He set out his great enjoyment serving golf in England to date and how proud he was to have the opportunity of continuing to serve England Golf as President.

10. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING PRESIDENT

Mr Duffy thanked and congratulated Mr Williams for his term of office and presented him with the Past President Badge, together with a plaque and photographic album of his year in office.

11. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT ELECT: MRS JENNY CLINK

Mrs Marian Rae DL outlined to the meeting her long history of working with Mrs Jenny Clink, stretching back to their time at ELGA together. Mrs Rae stressed the strong attributes that made Mrs Clink well suited to be President Elect, including being a qualified referee and past Captain of many England Golf teams. Mrs Clink also served as Chairman of ELGA and on the Executive of the Ladies Golf Union. It gave Mrs Rae great pleasure to propose Mrs Jenny Clink as the England Golf President Elect for 2018.

Mr I Watkins expressed his delight in seconding Mrs Clink. He outlined her and her family's contribution to golf in general and in particular to the county of Gloucestershire. The meeting unanimously endorsed the nomination.

Mrs Clink accepted the nomination and expressed her thanks to the proposer, seconder, the Past Presidents for their recommendation and the England Golf Board for the nomination.

The meeting unanimously endorsed the nomination.

The Chairman thanked all involved in the nomination process for President, in particular Dr David Marsh.

12. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Chairman announced to the meeting that a postal ballot had taken place for Members to elect eight Elected Directors to the England Golf Board. There was a reduction from 10 to 8 Elected Directors due to a change in the Articles.

The Chairman announced the eight successful candidates in the election and their tenure for the following terms, where those receiving most votes were to serve the longest:

- Mrs C Alford 2 Years
- Mr A Booth 3 Years
- Mrs P Crowson 1 Year
- Mrs J Dean 2 Years
- Mr J Peters 1 Year
- Mr D Poole 2 Years
- Mr I J Watkins 3 Years
- Mr L Wilson 3 years

The Chairman also thanked Mr Ron Harrison and Mrs Carole Waights for their outstanding contribution and support during their time as Directors of the England Golf.

The Chairman introduced the two Independent Directors, Martha Brass and Michael Pask. The Chairman outlined their considerable skills and experience, which together with their connections within the golf world, would be of great benefit to England Golf.

13. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The Board proposed that haysmacintyre be reappointed as auditors.

The nomination was proposed and seconded by the meeting and haysmacintyre were duly elected to serve as auditors until the next Annual General Meeting.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no other matters arising.

15. CLOSING REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman applauded all of those who had received honours and been elected during the meeting.

16. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date, time and venue was confirmed as 9:30 a.m. on Thursday 25th April 2019 at Woodhall Spa.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 10:45 a.m.

To be approved in April 2019

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Chairman

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Date