



PEEBLES GOLF CLUB LTD

AGM 2021

Minute of the Annual General Meeting held by Zoom call on Tuesday 16th February 2021.

PRESENT 40 Members of the Club.

CHAIRMAN Mr Gavin Carruthers (Captain)

SECRETARY Mr Alan Frain

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:33 pm and thanked the members present for their attendance.

He thanked Mr L Biscomb for his valuable contribution to the club as Vice-Captain. Mr L Biscomb had stepped forward to fill this vacancy last year on the basis that he would stand aside when a permanent candidate was identified.

Mr C Patterson had subsequently replaced Mr L Biscomb as Vice-Captain in June 2020 and the Chairman introduced Mr C Patterson to the audience. Mr C Patterson was a Chartered Civil Engineer who worked for Jacobs in Edinburgh, leading the company's UK Ports and Maritime team. He had a long association with Peebles Golf Club having been a club member for 36 years since joining as a junior in the mid-1980s. Chris had also previously served on the committee for several years during which time he held the role of Competitions Convenor. Mr C Patterson had already made a valuable contribution to the Board and the Chairman was confident that he would be handing over the captaincy of the club next year to an excellent candidate.

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from 5 Members of the Club.

2. Minute of the 2020 AGM

The minute was adopted on the proposal of Mr G Bowie and seconded by Mr S. Waldie.

3. Matters arising

None

4. Annual Report & Accounts

4a. Captains report.

A video of the club's highlights in 2020 was shared with the membership. The Captain then provided the members with a summary of his reflections on the performance of the club in 2020, strategic goals for the future and the members' support needed this year. There were no questions.

4b. Accounts for the year ended 30th November 2020.

The Secretary provided a summary of the finance report and accounts for 2020. There were no questions.

5. Budget and Proposed Subscription Charges - Season 2019/20

The Secretary provided a summary of the budget and proposed subscription charges for 2021/22. There were no questions.

The accounts were then approved on the proposal of Mr. J Rimmer and seconded by Mr. C McDonald.

The budget and subscription charges were then ratified on the proposal of Mr. J Rimmer and seconded by Mr. R Dalglish.

6. Election of Committee Members

The Chairman advised that the Committee had recommended the following appointment: -

General Committee – Gordon Beveridge

No other nominations had been received and Mr G Beveridge was elected.

The Chairman advised that Mr G Beveridge would be replacing Mr J Brown as House Convenor. He thanked Mr J Brown for his valuable contribution over the last few years and welcomed Mr G Beveridge to the committee. The Chairman advised that Mr G Beveridge had extensive building experience and had already added great value to the club around the ongoing maintenance of the clubhouse and surrounds.

The Chairman thanked Mr D Alexander and Mr J McQuaker for their contribution to the General Committee over the last three years. Both individuals had completed their three-year tenor on the committee and would be stepping down by rotation. This left two unfilled vacancies on the General Committee.

7. Any Other Competent Business

Owen Butler requested clarification on the governance structure of the club and the two unfilled vacancies. The Chairman explained that the club had provision for up to 12 committee members, with the Board of Directors encompassing up to 5 of these members. The club had received no committee nominations from the membership this year and the number of nominations in recent years had been relatively low. This was perhaps a reflection of the relatively static nature of the membership base, with many members having already served on committee. Many members were content to provide their support on an informal basis as evidenced by the high level of volunteering activity last year. Comfort was taken from the fact that all the convenor roles were covered (i.e., Finance, Marketing, Competition, Greens, House, Sponsorship and Social) and the convenors were encouraged to think about members that might be able to support them further, leading to a more focused search being undertaken next year.

Jerry Rimmer asked if consideration could be given to removing the monthly restriction pertaining to the discounted hire of buggies by members. The Secretary confirmed that the intention was to remove this restriction with members being able to hire a buggy at any time (subject to availability) for £12 compared to the standard price of £25. The policy for members with a medical certificate would remain unchanged with a cost per hire of £8.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8:48pm.