

# LEGS AGM 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Location: The Bedfordshire GC  
Date: 9th November, 2023  
Time: 17:00  
Minutes by Graham Shennan  
Secretary 2024

**Attendees** at the AGM: Mike Webb (Captain), Pete Schofield (Secretary), Jeff Wood (Treasurer), Andrew Stevenson (Handicap Secretary), Ian McLuskie, Richard Ebbs, Clive Haywood, Tom Inskip, John Simpson, Graham Shennan, Bernard Henry, Paul Jones, Henry Richardson, Colin Oates, Jos Daalhuizen, David Steel, Colin Bolster, Mike Stockford.

Non Members attending: Derek Freeman (Bedfordshire Club Captain)

**Apologies** from: Alan Horn, Andy Pohler, Martin Lavansch, Bob Broomhall

## Agenda Items

### 1. Minutes of 2022 AGM

The minutes of 2022 were agreed and signed.

### 2. Treasurer's report

The accounts as prepared by Jeff were inspected by David Steel and agreed as being in order. Everyone had prior copies of the accounts, and copies of the Treasurers Report and Statement of Finances were distributed and accepted.

Pete thanked Jeff for doing an excellent job in 2023 with lots of detail and felt 'very comfortable' with the way in which the finances were being managed. All agreed.

### 3. Secretary's report

Pete thanked everyone for their quick replies to invitations and regular contact on other matters. This has made the job so much easier and asked all to please help the new Secretary as much as possible.

It was generally felt that we are getting it right in terms of the selection of courses and the proposed venues for 2024 were agreed by all.

#### **4. Presentations**

The Boddington Cup winners which was played for and awarded at Captain's Day were David Steel and Andrew Stevenson.

The Calvados Cup was 'generously' awarded by Captain Mike to Graham Shennan and Paul Jones.

Golfer of the year was won by David Steel.

#### **5. Captain's report**

Mike said how much he has enjoyed his Captain's year and noted how little things had changed from his first stint as Captain in 1987 with strong focus remaining on fellowship and the opportunity to raise some money for charity. He noted one of our well-known guests, Mike Rayer, had summed it up by saying 'whatever it is you are doing, just keep doing it'. Mike advised that approximately £3100 had been raised in the year and distributed locally to Tibbs dementia, Bedford and District Audio News, School Readers, Riding for the Disabled and Project 229.

Mike thanked Secretary Pete, Treasurer Jeff and Handicap Secretary Andrew for their diligence throughout the year and all other unsung heroes for their ongoing support.

Mike formally proposed that Pete Schofield becomes Captain for the next year; this was seconded and all agreed.

Pete as new Captain thanked Mike for his captaincy in 2023.

Pete formally proposed that Graham Shennan becomes Secretary for the next year; this was seconded and all agreed.

Pete also formally proposed that Jeff Wood remains as Treasurer and Andrew Stevenson remains as Handicap Secretary. This was seconded and all agreed.

Paul Jones was agreed to remain as Purveyor of Shirts.

Richard Ebbs was agreed to remain as Trophy Secretary

Bob Broomhall was agreed to remain as Keeper of the Ties

Lifetime members are Ian McLuskie, Howard Smith, Ken McCarthy

David Steel informed the meeting that Ken McCarthy was currently feeling poorly. All members present sent their best wishes to Ken for his recovery.

President George Clarke sent his best wishes.

Mike was presented with a beautifully mounted vase in thanks and recognition for all he has contributed to LEGS over the years. Our thanks go to Bob Broomhall for hand crafting this gift.

#### **6. Other matters**

Forecast Cup

Henry will communicate the outcome in January.

#### Quizzes and Bowling

It was agreed that these were good events and served to keep people in touch. Andrew and Mike to arrange respectively.

#### Guest Prize

To continue only if there is more than one guest.

#### Wine Auction

To be discontinued.

#### Dress Code for post golf dinner

Agreed to default to jacket and tie with Captains discretion during warmer weather.

#### Handicap system

Andrew led the discussion. He noted some members currently had no official Club handicap; hence we need to retain the ability to select a handicap. There would be no maximum but perhaps some more drastic adjustments for extreme scores.

This year there were 7 different winners and 7 different wooden spoon winners. This points to a well working handicap system.

Andrew proposed we retain the same system for next year, namely use your handicap index against the Bedford & County slope rating for the start of the season to establish your LEGS handicap. Shots will be deducted and added after each event depending on performance, as now. All agreed

#### Gimme's

It was agreed to continue to putt out and that there would be no gimme's.

#### Guests

It was agreed that guests could attend on more than one occasion and it was hoped that this would lead to them joining.

#### Charities for 2024

Pete would advise his chosen Charities in the New Year.

#### **AOB**

#### Golf Gear

Paul reported that our supplier could fulfill small orders at no extra charge and he agreed to provide details of costings etc.. Generally agreed the default colour would be Navy.