

# PEEBLES GOLF CLUB LTD. A.G.M. 2019

Minute of the Annual General Meeting held at Peebles Golf Club on Tuesday 12th February 2019

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**PRESENT** 91 Members of the Club.

**CHAIRMAN** Mr Ross Duncan (Captain)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:30pm and thanked the members present for their attendance.

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from 35 Members of the Club.

## 2. Minute of the 2018 AGM

The minute was adopted on the proposal of Mr G French, seconded by Mr A. Boocock.

## 3. Matters arising

G Cuthill asked if any progress had been made in respect of the Antique clubs held at RBS. M Kelso advised no progress to date.

## 4. Annual Report & Accounts

4a. Captains report.

The Captain provided the members with a summary of his thoughts on the recent performance of the club and opportunities for the future. A brief video was shared with the membership. There were no questions.

#### 4b. Accounts for the year ended 30th November 2018.

The Secretary gave the meeting a summary of the finance report and accounts. The accounts were then approved on the proposal of Mr. M Wilson seconded by Mr. I Pemberton.

#### 5. Budget and Proposed Subscription Charges - Season 2018/19

The Secretary gave members a summary of the budget and proposed subscription charges for 2018/19. The budget and subscription charges were then ratified on the proposal of Mrs. M Rogers seconded by Mrs. M Waddell.

#### 6. Election of Committee Members

The Chairman announced that Committee had recommended the following appointments;

General Committee John E. Brown

No other nominations had been received and the candidate was elected.

## 7. Any Other Competent Business

**Euan Leggatt** raised his concern that the club was not maximising income by keeping the bar open as long as possible at functions. The Secretary undertook to investigate the issue with the appropriate staff.

**Colin Wood** raised his concern re the status of players with handicaps above 28 playing in Men's competitions. The Captain and the Handicap Convenor outlined that there would be a range of competitions throughout the year, scoring for most of these would be limited to 28 handicap. The committee would be working in line with guidance from CONGU and the R&A.

**Moira Brown** asked for an update on the development of a course toilet. M Kelso outlined that to date we had been unable to find a cost-effective solution. The cheapest cost was likely to be £10-£20,000. A pilot was planned for this season where members would be able to take a clubhouse break after the 9<sup>th</sup> hole. The group following behind could carry on if they wished with those who took a break slotting in immediately thereafter. Feedback would be sought from member during and after the pilot.

**Donald Jamie** raise the issue that despite notices, items were left lying around in the Gents Locker room and it looked scruffy and unkempt. The point was noted and the rules would be enforced with more rigour.

**Brian Morris** – asked for update on progress re appointment of the new caterer. The Secretary outlined that we had 12 applications to date and would be commencing the next stage of the process.

**Graham Oram** asked whether we would be replacing the carpet that covered the dancefloor. The secretary responded that this was under review and unless there was demand from members the carpet would not return.

**Andy Pretswell** noted that he enjoyed the driving range facilities but the lighting was sometimes out of action and the range lights did not extend far enough. The Secretary noted the issues with reliability – it had been a recurring problem but would be further reviewed. The range light power was limited by the planning permission – options for change would be reviewed.

**Allan Turnbull** asked what would be happening with the new black tees. The Greens convenor stated that these would be brought into play for some special competitions during the year. All tees had now been measured and rated for both men and ladies.

**Donald Jamie** asked about the process for considering opening the club for general usage. The Finance Convenor summarised the issues being considered with a focus to make any changes as non-intrusive as possible. This would probably lean toward more functions and social members rather a general opening to the public.

**Hugh Gilmore** enquired as to the level of social members allowed by the Articles. The Secretary confirmed that the current limit was 20% of full members – which equated to about 103- compared to 98 current social members.

**John McGrath** raised his concerns about attendees at social events spreading into the members bar area during or after those events. There was general discussion on this issue including concerns over usage at Darts matches **(Kevin Wood)** and inconsistency from event to event **(Keith MacIntosh)**. There were also examples of members interrupting private events as they utilised the upstairs toilets

The Secretary outlined that the club has a Full licence and there was no formal ban on non-members using the bar – it was for the club to set the rules. The committee to review options

There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8:30pm.