

Lincoln Golf Club Seniors

Minutes of the 46th Annual General Meeting of the Lincoln Golf Club Seniors held on Wednesday 19th November 2025 in the Clubhouse

Out of a membership of 106, 31 members attended the meeting. Apologies were received from Dinesh Shah, Nigel Harrison, John Edlington, John Kidney and John Shaw.

The meeting began at 1330 hours

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2024

The minutes of the 45th AGM held on Wednesday 20th November 2024 were adopted following a proposal by John Shaw, seconded by Phil Pearson. The membership agreed that the Minutes reflected a true record of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

This is my seventh Annual report as your Treasurer and the sixth full accounting year in the role. The accounts prepared for this fiscal year continue to replicate a format that has been used for many years and affords comparisons to be made on both income and expenditure.

The substantial difference between income and expenditure in 2024/25 and income and expenditure in 2023/24 is due to the financial management of the away days being handled by the organiser in 2024/25.

In terms of income in 2024/25 subscription and competitions income were strong but down on 2023/24. Subscriptions paid were down from 119 to 107 due in part to less new members joining than in previous years. Competition income was down by £215 due to less people taking part in the Winter League, the poor winter conditions reducing Laverack trophy entry fees and less people entering the summer knockouts. Income was at a similar level in 2025 for the Summer QCs as in 2024.

Income from two Seniors Sixes competitions plus tight monitoring of “Frog” contributors resulted in a bumper Captain’s Charity collection.

Regarding expenditure, the Committee continued to recognise the excellent work of the Greens staff by a gratuity. Prizes paid out were 84% of entry fees, well in line with the financial strategy. We continued to support LGC by sponsoring the 12th tee.

Even with a reduced income from subscriptions and competition fees a small surplus has been achieved. This is due to no bereavement payments being paid, and this year no financially supported project with LGC. We hold a healthy surplus at the moment but need to keep a watchful eye on income streams.

It is recommended for 2025/26 that the Annual Subscription, competition entry fees, bereavement donations and all annual payments are unchanged.

Finally, my thanks go to my fellow Committee members for an excellent working relationship this year and to all Seniors for their great support in what has been an extremely busy year for me.

Paul Stafford
Treasurer LGC Seniors Section

Paul proposed that we accept his balance sheet as a true record. This was seconded by Nick Todd and carried by a show of hands

Proposals to be considered

1. That the annual subscription of £5 and competition entry fees remain unchanged.
2. That all annual payments (greenkeepers gratuity - £250, secretary’s honorarium - £50) and the bereavement donation of £50, remain unchanged.

Proposed by Paul Stafford and seconded by Bob Sansom; carried by a show of hands.

Secretary's Report

Most of the season ran on rails. I believe we have an efficient and robust system for running our matches and competitions. Such events only require minor tweaking to reflect the events of the day.

One of the highlights of the year was the invitation from Luffenham Heath to play matches against them in alternate years. We played them at their course in the Spring and, although we lost narrowly (4 ½ to 3 ½), most of the matches were close-fought affairs. We look forward to hosting Luffenham Heath at Torksey on Friday 17th July 2026.

The two other major items which took my attention this year were replacing Newark and Sleaford with Worksop and Stanton on the Wolds respectively. Before going public with these decisions, we had to do much work in the background to prepare the ground. The initial stumbling block with Stanton was our early start time. Our Manager, Louis, kindly allowed us to trial a lunchtime start with the fixture against Waltham Windmill. It proved a qualified success but, in reality, we started slightly too late. We will be aiming for a lunchtime start against Stanton but will refine the schedule we followed this year. More to follow in due course.

It was sad to have to remove Newark and Sleaford from our roster after so many years but those members who played at these venues this year will understand the reason for our decision. It was pleasing to note that both clubs accepted our decision with good grace.

John May

The meeting gave a vote of thanks for all the excellent work that John May had done for the Section in 2025 and wished him a speedy recovery from his eye surgery.

Seniors' Captain's Report

It's been my privilege to be seniors Captain for 2025. My year has flown by. I would like to thank Paul Stafford for anytime I've needed any advice and our Secretary, John May, whose extensive work arranging the matches and competitions made my life a lot easier and more enjoyable. This year we had some great results in the Tulip Trophy which resulted in winning 5 and losing 1. I've been able to use 46 Seniors over the 26 matches with 16 wins 2 draws and 8 losses. We are looking forward to next year with 2 new venues of Worksop and Stanton on the Wolds and finally I would say big thank you to Simon for doing the coffee at home matches and wishing him all the best next year as he replaces me as Captain for 2026.

Steve Friend

Election of Officers

The following officers were proposed and seconded by those shown below then duly elected by a show of hands.

Appointment	Name	Proposer	Seconder
Captain	Simon Morris	Steve Friend	Paul Stafford
Vice-Captain	Steve Cassells	John May	Alan Turner
Treasurer	Paul Stafford	Paul Donnelly	John May
Secretary	John May	Paul Stafford	Philip Barnatt

Any Other Business

Handicap Limits in Competitions.

Proposed by Alan Turner
Seconded by Shea Cogan

That the Seniors section reverts to using the World Handicap Index to calculate the playing handicaps for all senior competitions without a maximum playing handicap being imposed.

The Secretary informed the meeting that the reason for imposing a limit was to fall in line with Club procedures but it was now up to the membership to decide how to proceed.,

After discussion, a show of hands revealed.

For Alan's proposal – 29

Against Alan's proposal – 2

Decision – we will remove the handicap limit for future Seniors' competitions.

Before closing the meeting Simon Morris thanked Steve Friend for his excellent leadership of the Section as the Captain for 2025.

The meeting closed at 1345 hours.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J May', with a horizontal line underneath.

John May

Secretary

19 November 2025

Matches

Venue	Opponents	Result
Home	Belton Park	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Belton Park	Lost 6 to 2
Home	Coxmoor	Won 8 to 0
Away	Coxmoor	Won 6 to 2
Home	Elsham	Won 8 to 0
Away	Elsham	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Grimsby	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Grimsby	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Holme Hall	Lost 5 ½ to 2 ½
Away	Holme Hall	Half
Away	Luffenham	Lost 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Market Rasen	Won 7 ½ to ½
Away	Market Rasen	Lost 5 to 3
Home	Newark	Won 6 to 2
Away	Newark	Lost 5 ½ to 2 ½
Home	Radcliffe on Trent	Won 6 to 2
Away	Radcliffe on Trent	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Sleaford	Won 7 to 1
Away	Sleaford	Won 5 ½ to 2 ½
Home	Spalding	Won 6 to 2
Away	Spalding	Won 5 to 3
Home	Waltham Windmill	Won 7 ½ to ½
Away	Waltham Windmill	Won 4 ½ to 3 ½
Home	Woodhall Spa	Lost 5 to 3
Away	Woodhall Spa	Won 6 to 2
	Lincoln Ladies	Half
Won 16 – Lost 8 – Halved 2		

Competitions

Competition	Winner
Winter League 'A'	Phil Pearson
Winter League 'B'	David Beech
Winter League Overall	David Beech
Laverack Trophy	Shea Cogan
Barrell Foursomes	Derek Johnson & Nigel Harrison
Anniversary Competition	Rick Croy
Seniors Cup (QC)	Neal Froggatt
Adams Tankard (QC)	Nigel Harrison
Mike Wood Trophy (QC)	Paul Stafford
Pip's Pot (QC)	Ian Paterson
Graham Cartwright Memorial (QC)	David Hadfield
Gordon Walker Cup (QC)	Kevin Hardy
Centenary Cup (QC)	Ian Kent
Mitch's Mug (QC)	Mark Todd
Derek Croucher Cup (QC)	Eric King
Thimbleby Trophy (QC)	Steve Cassells
Jackson Tankard (QC)	Roger Bayes
Wally Evans Cup (QC)	John Kidney
Eclectic	Ian Kent
Order of Merit	Eric King
Savill Rose Bowl	Dinesh Shah
Pickering Cup	Paul Stafford & Ian Paterson
Maurice Featherstone Memorial	Paul Stafford
Poppy Appeal	Trevor Dodds
3-Club Competition	Ric Conway
Christmas Charity Comp	

Appendix 1 – Balance Sheet

Lincoln Golf Club Seniors Section

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31 October 2025

Income	2025	2024
	£	£
Subscriptions	535.00	595.00
Competition fees	1538.00	1748.00
Charity collections	483.00	400.00
	Frog etc.	
	Christmas	192.00
	Wally Evans	84.00
	Poppy	0.00
	Other	0.00
Away Days	0.00	3221.00
VC's Away Day	100.00	910.00
Total Income	3123.00	7150.00
Expenditure		
Greenkeepers' gratuity	250.00	250.00
Secretary's honorarium	50.00	50.00
Halfway house supplies	0.00	0.00
Captain's Sweater	40.00	0.00
Guests (Annual Dinner)	0.00	50.00
Bereavement donations	0.00	0.00
Website fees	47.99	69.59
Charity donations	500.00	400.00
	Capt's Charity	
	Poppy (RBL)	0.00
	Xmas (Air Amb)	192.00
	W Ev (Air Amb)	84.00
Voucher and golf ball prizes	1290.00	1296.00
Donation to LGC	0.00	0.00
12th Tee Sponsorship	250.00	250.00
Miscellaneous	49.55	150.00
Engraving	0.00	0.00
Away Days	0.00	3221.00
VC Away Day	100.00	910.00
Total Expenditure	3044.54	6922.59
Surplus of income over expenditure	78.46	227.41

Balance Sheet

Balance brought forward	1182.60	955.19
Surplus of income over expenditure	78.46	227.41
Balance carried Forward	1261.06	1182.60
Represented by		
Cash at Bank	987.59	913.63
Cash in Hand	273.47	268.97
	1261.06	1182.60