

Notes of the Senior Men's Annual Review Meeting

Held on 9th Nov 2023

66 members played but only 48 stayed for the presentations and meeting. Our guests included George Conrad, Mann Hans (Club Captain), Alan Benson (Ex-President) and Dave Bridgeman. Before the meeting, members enjoyed soup and sandwiches (Sponsored by senior funds). The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm with the Captain awarding prizes for today's competition.

Prize Presentation

Alasdair Carruthers announced the winners of the 2023 annual competitions. Trophies and vouchers were presented to the winners by Captain Stu Newland. Pictures were taken and placed on the Honours Board section of the Seniors Website.

Captain's Tray	Winners	– Tony Gilbert & Stuart Thomson
Jack Chettle Trophy	Winner	– Andy Hunt
Guy Birkin Cancer Research Cup	Winners	– Mike Gilbert & Tony Gilbert
Senior Golfer of the Year	Winner	- Bob Mercer
Pair Betterball KO Shield	Winners	– Dave Hailwood & Paul Baker
18 Hole Singles KO Matchplay	Winner	– Andy Beer
18 Hole Medal Aggregate	Winner	– Drew Armstrong
18 Hole Stableford Aggregate	Winner	– Bill Litchfield
18 Hole Medal Final Shield	Winner	– Stu Newland
Winter Order of Merit Bowl	Winners	– Steve Hawley (Div 1) Kelvin Dudley (Div 2)

Captain's Report

Stu Newland provided an overview of his year as Captain. He described it as a most enjoyable year, The weather overall was not the best but we managed to get a full set of competitions played.

The Senior Captain's Away Day was at Hinckley again with the Sunshine making a rare appearance. The staff were most welcoming and the service from all the staff was outstanding. It was a perfect day.

Matches, which were a joy to captain, unfortunately with a majority of losing results. 23 senior club matches were played winning 10 halving 2 and losing 11. Fortress Beeston was Breached by Ruddington early in the season ending a 5 year run.

Two Guy Birkin Cancer Research Charity Days were played this year owing to cancellations last year and we managed to donate some £600 to Cancer UK. In future, it will now revert back to once a year in October (weather permitting).

Stu went on to thank all the Seniors Committee for the work they do on behalf of the seniors and the work they have done to support him during his term as Seniors Captain

Treasurers Report

Mike Gilbert told members that we expected to make a £600 loss in the 2023 accounts, but we knew we were going to do that as we paid out more in competition prizes this year to use some of the excess money we had accumulated in previous years. As our accounting year does not end until 30th November the accounts will be displayed on the senior's notice board when they are completed in the New Year.

New Captain

Stu Newland then proposed Terry Unwin as the new Seniors Captain for 2024.

Terry announced he was honoured to be taking over as captain and hoped to emulate Stuart's achievements for the forthcoming year, with his away day being at Uttoxeter Golf Club Staffordshire. Terry went on to propose Adrian Firth as Vice Captain which he accepted in his absence.

Terry announced two changes to the committee with Adrian Firth joining as Vice-Captain and Anil Patani joining the committee as Match Secretary. He proposed an en-bloc vote of acceptance for the officers and committee members for 2024. The vote was passed unanimously.

Senior Men's Committee – Officers for 2024

Captain	- Terry Unwin
Immediate Past Captain	- Stu Newland
Vice Captain / Ladies Match	- Adrian Firth
Secretary	- John Simpson
Treasurer	- Mike Gilbert
Competition Secretary	- Alasdair Carruthers
Match Secretary	- Anil Patani
Match Day Secretary	- Marcus Beale
Assistant Comps/Kit	- Phil Gardie
KO Competition Co-ordinator	- Keith Evans
Catering Co-ordinator	- Andrew Kelly

Open Forum

No real issues were raised in the open forum, but a long discussion took place about the 'Card Draw' and its randomness. It was explained that a random number generator was used when we were not gathered together for a presentation. A vote was taken and it was agreed by the majority that Card Draws will remain for the foreseeable future.

There being no other business, the Seniors Captain closed the meeting and thanked all for their attendance.

John Simpson
BFGC Seniors Secretary
25th November 2023