Annual General Meeting – TAGS

**Date:** 30th January 2017

**Location** – The Cricketers P.H. Broadwater

The meeting started at 19:34 hrs

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| **Present (Members of the Committee)** | |
| Simon Stoner (President and Chair) | Steve Atkins (Treasurer & Captain) |
| Paul Davies (Secretary) | Damian Weber (Vice Captain) |
| Peter Kennard (Committee Member) | Ian Gibb (Committee Member) |
| Howard Jones (Committee Member) | Tony Harvey (Committee Member) |
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# Apologies for Absence

Were received from:

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| Name |
| Ian Payne |
| Dave Treagus |
| Derek Steel |
| Martin Wakeham |
| Wayne Kenward |
| Darren Treacy |
| Warwick Davis |
| Nigel Lamb |
| Paul Chapman |
| Alan Beech |
| Jason Nicholls |
| David Dumigan |
| Mike Smith |
| Dan Gibb |
| Simon Warr |
| Dave Pritchard |
| Brian Hooker |
| Pete Raynsford |
| Simon Steele |
| Richard John |
| Ian Cole |
| Peter Mott |

# Presidents Address – Simon Stoner

The President introduced this year’s address by thanking Mick Halford for his captaincy through 2016. Thanks were also recorded for a number of people within the society who put in a lot of effort to ensure the society remains a very enjoyable and successful society. These include Peter Kennard for his work booking the venues and maintaining the handicap system, Paul Davies for the secretariat work, Steve Atkins for managing the finances for the society, the Committee who take time to meet and ensure the society continues to run effectively, and also Pat Ashby for his work in organising the tour in 2016.

The President then reviewed the highlights of the year, congratulating Worthing members on their Ryder Cup win in July, allowing them to retain the trophy. The records now show that the overall score between the two teams is now 11-10. The Final countdown saw 35 members playing the last day and Jason Nicholls securing the Merit Trophy with 182 points.

The Matchplay competition was successfully concluded with Ashley Jacobs winning as well.

We had another great tour, to Majorca, and despite some rain disrupting the middle day of golf, Pat Ashby won the Cookie Cup..

Overall, another very successful year for The Allington Golf Society.

# Minutes of last Year’s AGM

The minutes from last year’s AGM were accepted by the meeting.

Proposed Phil Bonetti

Seconded Damian Weber

# Matters Arising

Matters arising from the minutes have been completed. With regard to the action to review the 30th Anniversary Tour, the President reported back that a number of options had been considered. An option is a larger tour to a further destination. After a brief discussion, a quick poll was taken to understand the appetite from members for different locations. The following outcomes were recorded:

America 18 preferred

South Africa 19 preferred

Europe 12 Preferred

The committee will continue to look at the options and feedback to members during the 2017 year. This will also include whether a savings plan will be introduced.

# Treasurers Report – Steve Atkins

The Treasurer thanked Mick Hammond for preparing the accounts again this year. He explained that the accounts this year had progressed as forecast with income from Subs remaining as planned and that deficits showing against golf days were as also as forecast. Overall he expected the society to make a small surplus this year.

It was noted that there is a potential to move the year end for the accounts to end December to ease payments and accounting for each golfing year. This will be reviewed.

It was confirmed that the maximum cost for golf days in 2017 will remain at £65.

It was noted that three member have decided not to renew their membership:

Steve Piper

Dickie Brame

Tom Woods

With no questions, the accounts were accepted by the meeting

Proposed Mick Halford

Seconded John Carver

# Election of Officers

The President introduced the election of officers for the Society. With Steve Atkins becoming Captain for 2017, the role of Treasurer is vacant. Apart from this position, all other committee members were prepared to stand for re-election. Roger Anstee had put his name forward to undertake the role of Treasurer. There we no other candidates or nominations to stand for committee.

With the Captain (Steve Atkins) and Vice Captain (Damian Weber) standing on the committee automatically, the following positions were confirmed:

Roger Anstee was prepared to stand for Treasurer, there were no other nominees.

Proposed Peter Kennard

Seconded Mick Halford

Paul Davies was prepared to stand for Secretary, there were no other nominees

Proposed Steve Feest

Seconded Chris Albon

The existing members prepared to stand – Tony Harvey, Ian Gibb, Peter Kennard, Howard Jones and Peter Mott, the members present agreed to continue with 9 members on the committee and that all 5 names prepared to stand are elected. This was agreed by those present.

Proposed Geoff Raynsford

Seconded Mick Hammond

The Committee for 2017 will be:

Captain Steve Atkins

Vice-Captai Damian Weber

Secretary Paul Davies

Treasurer Roger Anstee

Members Ian Gibb

Tony Harvey

Howard Jones

Peter Kennard

Peter Mott

# Calendar for 2017

The Calendar had been circulated to members prior to the meeting and is now posted on the Tags Golf Website ([www.tagsgolf.co.uk](http://www.tagsgolf.co.uk)) .

The Captain added that the Christmas day has been booked again for Hill Barn on 27th December 2017.

# Match Play Competition 2017

The President thanked Tony Harvey for organising the Match play Competition last year. Tony has agreed to organise the event for 2017, but added, that the singles format was not proving popular and as a result he will be organising a pairs competition. There was a vote taken at the meeting of members preference for either a drawn pairs or open pairs competition, with the drawn pairs option being preferred. He requested to members that payments (£5) to be made before the first round draw on the February Golf day.

# Tour for 2017

The President handed over to Pat Ashby for an update on the 2017 Tour.

Pat advised that the 2017 Tour will be to Liverpool/The Wirrell and we will be staying in Liverpool. 26 members are booked to go and all is in hand.

Finally, the Captain thanked Pat for organising the tour on his behalf

# Any Other Business

There were 2 questions raised to the Secretary prior to the meeting. These were dealt with first.

1. Dave Treagus – October Golf Day - Hayling

Dave asked if Hayling was going to be the regular venue for the October Golf day as this year and last year it has been booked there. The President confirmed that it has not been planned to be a regular booking – it was just the way the diary was set for last and this year. Other venues will be considered.

1. Chris Gilbert – Plans for 30th year Tour

In response to an action at last years AGM, earlier discussions had addressed the current thinking and plans for the 30th Anniversary Tour in 2019. Further information to follow,

**Items Raised at the Meeting**

Ashley Jacobs asked if there were plans to replace members not rejoining. The President confirmed that the Committee will be looking at this and contacting potential new members in due course. He also noted that there were still members who had not renewed their membership, and therefore the Committee were waiting to confirm these as well.

Keith Rowley asked if the AGM could be moved to February to help those members who are taking part in dry January. Keith was advised that this was unlikely to happen and the AGM will remain in January.

Mick Halford asked for clarity on how the Book and Fines moneis collected during the year are used.

The Treasurer confirmed that the book monies subsidises the Ryder Cup competition and Fines went towards the end of season dinner. It was also noted that the Society continue to donate a sum each year to the Captains Charity.

The President noted that the end of season dinner was poorly attended with less than one third of the membership going in November 2016, and asked if the venue needs to be reviewed. The Captain took note and agreed to review options for the 2017 event. The discussion also prompted a vote on whether the event should be a members only, or partners event. The majority by 20 to 5 supported continuing as a partners event.

There was no other business and the meeting was formally closed by The President at 20:17hrs