

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE HOYLAKE GOLF CLUB
TO BE HELD AT BRACKENWOOD COMMUNITY GOLF CLUB AT
7.30PM ON MONDAY, 24th FEBRUARY 2025**

AGENDA

1. Deceased Member

The Captain will ask Members to acknowledge the passing of Albert Schorah since the last Annual General Meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence (submitted before the meeting)

3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2024

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 26th February 2024 were posted on the Club WhatsApp and website immediately after their approval at the next Council Meeting and, as no subsequent comments or observations have been received by the Council, the Captain would ask that they are accepted as a true record of proceedings without discussion. The minutes will remain on the website should any member wish to read them in advance of the Annual General Meeting.

4. Club Secretary's Report (Dave Denton)

5. Club Treasurer's Report (Peter Davies)

A copy of the audited Annual Financial Statement of Account for the year ending 31st December 2024 is attached for examination by Members.

6. Annual Subscription

Rule 14 requires the Annual General Meeting to set the annual subscription and a fee of £45 is proposed by Council to offset an anticipated reduction in membership in the coming year.

7. Captain's Report (Ron Hancock)

8. Retirement of Club Council Officers

Members will wish to show their appreciation for the long, loyal and successful service of those Officers who are leaving the Club Council after this meeting. Mick Down, who has served for the past seven years as President will also be remembered for his work as Secretary after the sad loss of Alan Peacock; Dave Denton, who has served as Secretary on two occasions and guided the Club through its exodus from Hoylake; Peter Davies, who as Club Treasurer has guarded the Club's accounts through difficult periods and who has also served as Secretary; Phil Mobbs, who as Handicap Secretary has steered the Club Membership through the complexities of computerisation and the World Handicap System; and Tom Coleman, who has served as President and who also championed the Club's interest as its representative on the "98 Club Committee".

INTERVAL

9. Welcome to the Captain for 2025 (Simon Talbot)

Members will wish to welcome the new Captain in the traditional manner.

10. The Secretary of Brackenwood Community Golf Club

The Club has extended an invitation to Keith Marsh, the Secretary of our hosts, to address the meeting in order that Members may have an opportunity to congratulate the members and community of Brackenwood Golf Club on the success of their campaign to win control of the future of their golf course; and to hear from him about the aspirations of Brackenwood Community Golf Ltd in the short and long term.

11. Election of President

The Council would recommend to the Annual General Meeting the election of Dave Denton to serve as President for the coming year.

12. Election of Officers

Rule 8 requires the Club Council to nominate the succeeding Council and allows other members to be put forward for certain positions on the Council. The nominations by the Club Council for 2025 are: Club Secretary – Richie O'Neill; Assistant Club Secretary** - Mike Higgins; Club Treasurer – Simon Nardo; Handicap Secretary – Mike Jones; and Council Secretary - Tom McNamara; and for the five Ordinary Member positions – Jamie Griffin, Jimmy Humphreys, Tonny Kerkhofs, Phil Qualtrough and Dave Smith.

No other Members have been proposed as yet for election in accordance with Rule 8. Any nominations made before the deadline of 1st February will be reported at the meeting.

(**See 14 below)

13. Appointment of Auditors

Dave Francis and Andy Gardner have indicated their willingness to continue to serve as auditors and the Council would commend their re-election.

14. Proposed Changes to Constitution

Members are asked to agree to the amendments in red italics to Rules 2(c), 5, 19 and 23 below: -

Management of the Club:

2(c).....The Club Secretary, *Assistant Club Secretary*, Club Treasurer, Handicap Secretary and Council Secretary and five ordinary members who will be elected at the Annual General Meeting and will be eligible for re-election.

5..... The Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, *Assistant Club Secretary*, Handicap Secretary and Council Secretary will not be required to pay an annual subscription, in recognition of their work for the Club throughout the year.

Membership:

19.....A new member must have a WHS handicap index or must submit scorecards of three medal rounds played with members of the Club. *New members who obtain a handicap index from three submitted cards must submit five further cards from competition play before becoming eligible to win a prize.* Confirmation of membership will be subject to a satisfactory probationary period of twelve months.

Conduct and Discipline:

23.....Club members will ensure that any postings made to social media applications managed and maintained by the Club conform to acceptable standards of behaviour, equality and inclusion *as described by the Council from time to time and notified to Members.*

15. Concessions for Members

Rule 7 requires Council to report to the Annual General Meeting any concession granted to members during the year in recognition of their “significant and on-going contribution to the management of the Club”. In this context concessions were granted in 2024, as in recent years, to the Club’s Webmaster and Photographer, although neither is currently a playing member.

16. Any Other Business

Other matters may be raised for discussion only.

2023	INCOME	2024
£		£
3,220.00	SUBSCRIPTIONS	3,255.00
1,345.00	TEE BOOKING FEE	1,088.00
652.50	WINTER COMPETITIONS	215.00
2,580.00	SUMMER COMPETITIONS	1,857.50
1,125.00	ANNUAL OUTING	1,599.00
2,460.00	ANNUAL DINNER	2,937.00
183.00	KNOCKOUT ENTRY FEE	180.00
1,380.07	CHARITY DONATIONS	1,832.50
0.00	BANK INTEREST	0.00
598.50	MISCELLANEOUS	1,490.00
0.00	98 CLUB REFUND	0.00
13,544.07		14,454.00
	EXPENDITURE	
1,387.75	E.G.U & C.U.G.C FEES / CARDS	1,610.00
1,328.00	TEE BOOKING FEE	751.91
414.80	CAPTAIN'S REGALIA	557.59
400.00	HONORARIA	400.00
1,240.00	ANNUAL OUTING	1,688.00
2,617.50	ANNUAL DINNER	3,203.75
2,698.00	PRIZES COMPETITIONS	1,516.50
250.00	INTER CLUB MATCHES	354.36
1,380.07	CHARITY GIFTS	1,832.50
0.00	PRINTING & STATIONERY	0.00
0.00	PHONE & POSTAGE	0.00
217.00	ENGRAVING TROPHIES & BOARDS	175.00
615.60	COMPUTER & WEBSITE	615.60
274.50	MISCELLANEOUS	1,415.00
1,290.00	98 CLUB REFUND TO MEMBERS	0.00
14,113.22		14,120.21
(569.15)	SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	333.79
11,595.72	CLUB FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	11,026.57
	CLUB REFUND TO MEMBERS	7,940.00
(569.15)	SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	333.79
11,026.57	CLUB FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	3,420.36
	Represented by:	
14,668.07	Cash at Bank	7,922.36
0.00	Cash in Hand	0.00
(3641.50)	Competition fees pre-paid c/f	(4,502.00)
11,026.57		3,420.36

P Davies, Hon Treasurer

We have examined the books, bank statements and other records of the Club and confirm that the above Account is in accordance therewith.

D Francis and A Gardner, Hon Auditors