NOTTINGHAMSHIRE UNION OF GOLF CLUBS 124th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BEESTON FIELDS GOLF CLUB WEDNESDAY, 8th MARCH, 2023 AT 19.30 HOURS.

Present;

Richard Bonnello	NUGC President	Hollinwell
Edgar Bramwell	NUGC Past President	Nottingham City GC
Gordon Bruce	NUGC Hon. County Treasurer	Wollaton Park GC
Colin Bee	NUGC Hon. County Secretary	Coxmoor/Wollaton GC
Stan Yeomans	NUGC Past President	Beeston Fields GC
Bob Ward	NUGC Past President	Oakmere Park GC
Roger Poole	NUGC Past President	Rushcliffe GC
Martin Hathway	NUGC Past President	SOTW GC
Peter Trotter	NUGC Chair of Junior Golf	The Nottinghamshire
David Halstead	NUGC Vice President	Beeston Fields GC
Rob Sallis	NUGC Vice President	Hollinwell
David Evans	NUGC Senior Secretary	Wollaton Park GC
Andrew Tuttey	NUGC Annual Dinner Secretary	SOTW GC
Paul Keeling	NUGC EG & MGU Voting member	SOTW GC
Malcolm Brown	NUGC County Captain	Coxmoor GC
Anthony Wain	NUGC 2 nd Team Captain	Sherwood Forest GC
Mandy Bee	NUGC Assistant Secretary	

Richard Coleman Wollaton Park GC Sherwood Forest GC Roy Harris Richard Jeffs Life Time Vice President Coxmoor GC **Michael Boulton Springwater GC Wollaton Park GC** Jordan Boulton **Rufford Park GC** Ian Robinson **Graham Smith Nottingham City GC Dianne Whittaker Chilwell Manor GC Brian Knowles** The Nottinghamshire GC

There were 26 No persons present (including 5 Past Presidents and 2 Vice President) representing 13 No Golf Clubs.

The President and Secretary welcomed everyone attending the 124th Annual General meeting,

The Secretary asked everyone for a minute's silence in memory of those colleagues and members of the Union who had passed away during the past year.

1.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE;

Apologies from absence were received from;

Roy Sallis

Alan Benson

NUGC Past President

NUGC Past President

Beeston Fields GC

Roy Case

NUGC Past President,

Radcliffe on Trent GC

Alec Shepperson

NUGC Past President,

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Mike Munby NUGC Past President, Beeston Fields GC

Ron Beckett Norwood Park GC
Peter Benson Beeston Fields GC
Gary Oscroft Oakmere Park GC
Steve Mee Oakmere Park GC
Richard Kerr Ruddington Grange GC

2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS 123rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd MARCH, 2022.

2.01

Minutes of the 123rd AGM held on Wednesday, 2nd March, 2022 at Beeston Fields Golf Club had been previously circulated and were taken as read.

Proposed: David Halstead, Vice President, Beeston Fields GC Seconded: Bob Ward, Past President, Oakmere Park GC

Voted upon and passed unanimously.

3.0 HON, TREASURER'S REPORT - Gordon Bruce (Wollaton Park GC)

The County Treasurer Gordon Bruce explained to the Executive there was not much to report as the state of the accounts had been previously approved at the Executive meeting.

The main points were County team expenses, additional overnight stays which helped both teams win their leagues.

The cost of clothing used has been based on first in first out and the cost will be lower in 2023 as prices of the replacement stock have been considerably lower. Also the 50th anniversary of the Four Couties had additional expenditure due to it being a milestone.

Response

The President thanked Gordon for all his hard work over the last 40 years.

Passed unanimously.

4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Richard Bonnello (Hollinwell)

It has been an honour and a privilege to be your President. I have enjoyed supporting the teams – that is far easier when they play so well and I congratulate captains Malcolm Brown and Anthony Wain and their teams on the marvelous achievement of winning both the 1st and 2nd division Midland Leagues.

To watch the junior players is a delight. The carefree swing of a 6 or 7 year propelling the ball a full 50 yards is so encouraging for the future of our game. To see two boys competing against each other when one is at least a foot taller than the other is sometimes a mismatch but always a great game.

In this respect we are grateful to Stan Yeomans for his work over the last 12 years as chair of junior golf and also to Pete Trotter in taking on the role.

Gary Quibell is also a stalwart as manager of the U12's 14's and 16's.

We have had less success with our seniors despite the efforts of captain Maurice Hume. I am grateful to Dave Evans our seniors' secretary for doing something about it! He has organized winter training which has generated superb team bonding as well as tuition I am hopeful for the coming season.

We resumed our annual dinner last January after covid stopped us for the two previous years. Andrew Tuttey put in a tremendous amount of work to ensure that all ran smoothly for the 226 attendees. Thank you, Andrew.

As ever without the help of Colin and Mandy the job would be so difficult and whilst I thank them both I also say how pleased I am that Colin is to follow me as our president. I shall say more about Colin later.

I have also been supported by past presidents and vice presidents – thank you all. Peter Higgins is standing down as vice president and I thank him for his contribution to the union. There are so many people who work for the union to bring everything together -rules with past president Roger Poole, WHS with past president Bob Ward, (it is not his fault that WHS is not working!) and with vice presidents Rob Sallis and Dave Halstead always willing to step up. Thank you all.

Last, but by no means least our county course for 2022 was Oakmere who have been wonderful hosts and we could not have asked for a better welcome for all the events they hosted.

I look forward to my 2nd and last year and hopefully will see many of you on the course both playing and supporting our teams. thank you.

Passed Unanimously

5.0 HON. COUNTY SECRETARY REPORT – Colin Bee (Coxmoor/Wollaton GC)

I start my report by thanking Oakmere Park as county course in 2022, they were very obliging and could not do enough for the county, the course was great for every event we played there.

In addition, we are most grateful to all the courses in the county who host our events year in year out.

As the President alluded to earlier we have had great success with both the first and second teams winning their respective Midland League titles, well done to Malcolm and Anthoney on your success, they have created a great atmosphere amongst the players and there is a healthy competition for places, which is always a great situation to be in.

Many thanks to all the people who help in the county through the year, they are essential to the smooth running of the county, which is essential, special thanks to Pete Trotter who does a sterling job, not only as chair of junior golf, but also assists in helping run the competitions, along with the WHS system, plus course rating. Well done to the President on completing a successful first year as President, he can look forward to his second and final year, it would be nice for him to do the double again in the Midland league.

And finally, to Mandy, who's work for the county is exemplary and something I could not manage without.

Passed Unanimously.

6.0 COUNTY CAPTAIN'S REPORT -Malcolm Brown (Coxmoor GC)

It is with great pride that I stand here again tonight to accept the first team captaincy role, as we all know last year was a fantastic achievement of both men's sides. Last year has gone and we have a new season upon us, this year we are the hunted and we need to understand very quickly that we need to perform to higher standards and be smarter on the course. Fine margins will determine some outcomes and we need to be on the right side of them, if we as a group want to retain our champions status and not be seen as one season wonders.

The 6-man team is something for me as unfinished business, we have the ability to qualify but we need to produce on the day, which as we all know isn't easy. As under any team I have led in my life, we will have fun and be focused, play on any given day with 100% and togetherness, but most of all we will represent our members of all our affiliated clubs in the right way.

Regards Malcolm Brown

Passed Unanimously.

7.0 ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2023

7.01 To Re- Elect the President to serve for 2023

President Richard Bonnello (Hollinwell)

Proposer:Edgar BramwellNUGC Past President (Nottingham City GC)Seconder:Colin BeeNUGC Hon. County Secretary (Coxmoor GC)

Edgar Bramwell, Past President, Nottingham City GC, told the Executive that he had no hesitation in re-electing Richard as President.

Colin Bee, County Secretary also endorsed Richard as President and wished him a successful year.

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Richard Bonnello was duly re -elected.

7.02 To Elect the Deputy President for 2023

Deputy President Colin Bee (Coxmoor/Wollaton GC)

Proposer: Richard Bonnello NUGC President (Hollinwell)

Seconder: Stan Yeomans NUGC Past President (Beeston Fields GC)

Richard Bonnello, President said he was happy to nominate Colin Bee as Deputy President, he knows he will do a great job and has given so much to the Union over the years. To list a few:

Captain of Wollaton Park 1998,

Scratch Team Captain for 13 years at Wollaton Park Club Champion 3 times at Wollaton Park 1984, 1998, 2012

Club Champion at Beeston Fields 2005

County player 1982 to 2010

County Captain on 3 separate occasions (winning the Midland League twice)

County Assistant Secretary 2004 to 2011

County Secretary 2011 to present day

Club Secretary – Rushcliffe Golf Club 2004 to 2017

Club Secretary – Coxmoor Golf Club 2017 to present day

Central England Foursomes champions 2002

County Foursomes Champion twice.

Leading points scorer for both 1st & 2nd teams (don't know what years)

Part of the winning teams 4 times – inter Club Foursomes finals (Wollaton Park & Rushcliffe)

Tied first in the Notts Amateur Championship 1988 (lost to Charles Banks)

Stan Yeomans, Past President confirmed he has known Colin for many years and was very happy to second him.

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Colin Bee was duly elected.

The President, Richard Bonnello presented Colin Bee with the NUGC Deputy President's badge of office.

7.03 To re- elect the County Captains for 2023

Nominations for Captains

Malcolm Brown NUGC County Captain Coxmoor GC

Anthony Wain NUGC 2nd Team Captain Sherwood Forest GC

Proposer: Colin Bee NUGC County Secretary (Coxmoor/Wollaton GC) **Seconder:** Peter Trotter NUGC Chair of Junior Golf (The Nottinghamshire)

Colin Bee, County Secretary said he would welcome Malcolm and Anthony back as Captains for 2023 and it would be great if they could win the league for the 2nd year running.

Pete Trotter, Chair of Junior Golf, congratulated them both also and had no hesitation in their re-election.

Malcolm Brown thanked them both

The proposals were voted upon and carried unanimously and Malcolm and Anthony were duly re-elected.

7.03 To elect the County Senior Team Captain for 2023

To elect the Seniors Captain

Ian Newlove NUGC Senior Captain Wollaton Park GC

Proposer:David EvansNUGC Senior Secretary (Wollaton Park GC)Seconder:Colin BeeNUGC County Secretary (Coxmoor/Wollaton

GC)

David Evans, Senior Secretary, said he knows Ian from his home club Wollaton and has great confidence he will be a successful Captain and will work hard in achieving results.

Colin Bee, County Secretary, confirmed he has known Ian for around 40 years and knows he will give the position 100%.

The Secretary read out lan's letter of acceptance:

President, Vice Presidents, Ladies and Gentlemen

It is with great honour and anticipation that I accept the position of NUGC Seniors Captain for 2023/2024. Sorry I can't be here tonight, currently in SE Asia enjoying some winter sun and golf.

Seniors Golf in the UK is popular with strength in depth, indeed many exprofessionals re-join the amateur ranks on reaching 55. The National Senior Championships mirror the Men and Women's events with a strokeplay and matchplay tournament. A number of our Notts Seniors will be competing in these Championships this year. Good luck to them.

I see the role as one of encouragement and empowerment, a group of golfers who want to play competitively and win while at the same time enjoying themselves, senior golf does have a nice social side to it.

We will be welcoming new, or should I say, more mature talent to the Senior ranks. Betteridge, Sallis, Sanderson and Scothern will bring strong competition for places as we aim to challenge for the Midland League and demonstrate strength in the 6-man team later this year.

I must mention David Evans our Notts Seniors Secretary who provides valuable support in organising, coordinating and communicating across the Senior squad. Thank you, David.

I hope to see a number of you around this year at Wollaton Park (my home Club) or at the events and matches we have.

Best Regards Ian Newlove

The proposals were voted upon and carried unanimously and lan Newlove was duly elected.

7.04 To re- elect the Vice Presidents for 2023

Robert Sallis (Hollinwell)
David Halstead (Beeston Fields GC)
Peter Trotter (The Nottinghamshire GC)

Proposer: Bob Ward NUGC Past President (Oakmere Park GC)
Seconder: Roger Poole NUGC Past President (Rushcliffe GC)

Bob Ward, Past President said he was happy to re-elect Pete, Rob and David as they all do a great job helping the Union.

Roger Poole, Past President also endorsed he was happy for them to be re-elected

The proposals were voted upon and carried unanimously and Rob Sallis, David Halstead, and Peter Trotter were duly elected.

7.05 To elect new Vice President for 2023

Nominations for Vice President

Richard Coleman (Wollaton Park GC)

Proposer: Colin Bee NUGC County Secretary (Coxmoor/Wollaton) **Seconder:** Gordon Bruce NUGC County Treasurer (Wollaton Park GC)

Colin Bee, County Secretary said he has known Richard Coleman for over 40 years and had no hesitation in proposing him, he will be an asset to the Union as a Vice President.

Gordon Bruce, County Treasurer, said he was looking forward to working with Richard and endorsed the proposal.

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Richard Coleman was duly elected.

President, Vice-Presidents, Ladies and Gentlemen

It is a great honour to have been elected as a Vice-President of the Nottinghamshire Golf Union, and I am grateful for your support. I am Nottingham born and bred, started playing golf in the early 1970's and have followed the fortunes of golf in our county from a distance ever since the days of Richard Naylor, Peter Shaw, and Ian Simpson, to name but three. It's clear that Nottinghamshire golf continues to prosper at both elite and social level, and I hope to be able to assist in some small way in its development over the next few years. Thank you.

7.06 To elect the County Secretary for 2023

Nomination for Hon. County Secretary Colin Bee (Coxmoor GC)

Proposer: Richard Bonnello NUGC President (Hollinwell)

Seconder: Peter Trotter NUGC Chair of Junior Golf (The Nottinghamshire)

The President confirmed Colin does a great job for the Union and is delighted to propose him.

Peter Trotter, Chair of Junior Golf, seconded what the President said and confirmed

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Colin Bee was duly elected.

7.07 To elect the Hon. County Treasurer for 2023.

Nomination for Hon. County Treasurer Gordon Bruce (Wollaton Park GC)

Proposer: Colin Bee NUGC County Secretary (Coxmoor /Wollaton)

Seconder: Richard Bonnello NUGC President (Hollinwell)

Colin Bee, County Secretary said it was a pleasure to propose Gordon Bruce seeing he has done the job for over 40 years and he pays his wages.

The President confirmed Gordon does an excellent job.

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Gordon Bruce was duly elected.

7.08 To confirm as a group the following positions:

Chair of Junior Golf

Peter Trotter (The Nottinghamshire GC)

Seniors Secretary

David Evans (Wollaton Park GC)

Competitions Secretary

Colin Bee (Coxmoor/Wollaton GC)

Inter-Club Secretary

Colin Bee (Coxmoor/Wollaton GC)

Lead Tournament Officer

Roger Poole (Rushcliffe GC)

Course Assessment Officer

Bob Ward (Oakmere Park GC)

Dinner Secretary

Andrew Tuttey (SOTW GC)

England Golf Voting member

Paul Keeling (SOTW GC)

Midland Golf Union Voting member

Paul Keeling (SOTW GC)

Proposer: Robert Sallis NUGC Vice President (Hollinwell)

Seconder: David Halstead NUGC Vice President (Beeston Fields GC)

Robert Sallis, Vice President proposed they had all done an excellent job all year and long may it carry on.

David Halstead, Vice President confirmed he agreed with everything Rob says.

Colin Bee, County Secretary thanked Paul keeling in stepping in as EG Voting member and he knows he is the right man for the job.

The group were voted upon and carried unanimously and duly elected.

8.0 To elect the Hon. County Auditor for 2023

Nomination for Hon. County Auditor Ken Kirk

Proposer: Gordon Bruce NUGC Hon. County Treasurer (Wollaton Park GC)

Seconder: Richard Bonnello NUGC President (Hollinwell)

Gordon Bruce, County Treasurer was happy to elect Ken kirk as County auditor. Richard Bonnello also confirmed this.

The proposal was voted upon and carried unanimously and Ken Kirk was duly elected.

9.0 RESOLUTIONS

The County Secretary confirmed there were no resolutions.

10.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None to report

The President thanked Beeston Fields GC in allowing us to host the meeting there and asked if the Executive would like to join him for a drink at the bar.

The meeting closed at 20.00 hours.

11.0 Date of next 125th Annual general Meeting – Wednesday, 6th March 2024 at Beeston Fields Golf Club at 7.30pm prompt.