

Society of Kent Golf Captains - Financial Report 2025

Overall

Our accounts show a loss of £2,757, an increase from the loss made in 2024 of £1,461. There are various reasons for this loss, although fundamentally, it was associated with the increased losses made on the Member Meetings.

Income

Subscriptions & Entrance fees are up £1,090 on 2024 following a continuing review of current membership. At the end of 2025 we had a total of 517 members.

Society income from Member Meetings of £39,475 was £1,370 less than last year, even after we held an extra 9-hole meeting at Elthan Warren, generating £1,260 of income. Like for like, our Member Meeting income was £2,640 lower. The income from the Captains Day and Xmas Fayre dropped the most.

This drop in income contributed to an increased loss on Society Meetings of just over £5,969 (2024: £2,390). The £3,600 increase in losses were due to:

1. The Secretary omitting to charge £5 within the entry fee to cover the cost of the ball sweep and gratuities within the entry price. As there were around 450 members attending the meetings, this explains £2,250 of the increased loss;
2. There was an increase in catering costs and green fees charged by the host clubs;
3. A number of complimentary places were also offered to guests to entice them to join (which the majority did).

Interest continues at a minimal level due to the declining bank balance (due to losses).

Expenditure

Administrative costs increase to £8,547 (2024: £7,791). This was partly due to the purchase of a new Chairman's Honour Board (located at West Kent Golf Club) as the previous Board was full.

The Annual dinner made an overall loss of £769 in 2025, a reduction from the £1,131 we lost in 2024. This loss is mainly attributable to the cost of paying for guests of the Society, for which our Captain and Secretary receive reciprocal invites.

Balance Sheet

The bank balances held by the Society reduced to £19,758 including £1,216 held in the Charity Account. This reduction in our cash funded the increased loss made in 2025.

Charity Account

Members contributed £2,637 during the year and we were able to make two donations of £1,500 each into local charities: Elmley Dray School and Curly's Farm. The balance in the Charity Account at the end of 2025 was £1,215.