

Castlefields Golf Club

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The 116th Annual General Meeting of Castlefields Golf Club was held on Wednesday 27th February 2019 at 8pm at Rastrick Bowling Club. There was a total attendance of 23 members.

The President, Mr Richard Badrock chaired the meeting and called for a minutes silence for George O'Reilly (Past Captain) and other former members who had sadly passed away during the past year.

Apologies

Apologies were received from the following members who were unable to attend – Janet Hardcastle, Paul Hardcastle, Samuel Hardcastle, Michael Badrock, Peter Cartwright, Paul Goldspink, Derek Gray and Richard Squire.

President's Remarks (Mr Richard Badrock)

Good Evening Ladies & Gentlemen. Welcome to the 116th Annual General Meeting of Castlefields Golf Club.

I am pleased to say that this year I feel much more optimistic about the future. Despite the terrible weather for the AGM last year we managed to fill virtually all the committee positions with some younger more physically energetic members and despite most having full time jobs a significant amount of improvements have been made around the course with further plans for the coming year. Matthew organised an open day in June with the proceeds being used towards the purchase of new tee mats with the balance being made up from the surplus in the Captains Fund for 2017. The Open Day raised over £1,000 despite us being unfortunate with the choice of dates as it clashed with one of England's matches in the World Cup thus reducing the number of players. A similar event is to be run in 2019 with the proceeds again to be put towards course projects.

Despite running at a small profit we still need to attract in the region of 30 new members in order to give us a fighting chance of covering costs when Peter eventually has to retire. Unfortunately we lost more members again than we gained. However, we did have a reasonable take up by younger members of the trial membership which we offered last summer including some who had previously been junior members at the Club. Although they did not continue their membership last year into the Autumn / Winter I am optimistic that at least some of them will return as full members this year. We also had a couple of midweek trial members who did continue their trial who have now been issued handicaps and I believe they intend joining as full members in 2019. They also brought visitors with them on an almost weekly basis thus boosting the green fee income. We still have a number of flyers for the trial membership so we will try to promote this again this year hopefully getting the flyers out earlier in the season. Unfortunately most golf clubs are in a similar position and are all coming up with deals to try to attract the reducing numbers of prospective golfers.

Thanks go to our Captain Lyndon Barraclough and wife Jacquie who have put in some long shifts at the Club in what has been quite a successful year. I am sure he will elaborate on this in his report.

David Bartliff, our Secretary, has worked hard throughout the year with the normal secretarial duties. He also regularly updates members by e-mail with newsletters and other information. I am pleased to say that David has offered himself for re-election

despite finding it a struggle to commit as much time to the job. He has therefore, proposed some changes to the role which will be discussed later.

Following the resignation of our Treasurer Janet Hardcastle last year we were unable to fill the position. However, our Captain Lyndon agreed to take the role on once he had completed his year as Captain and so I agreed to cover the position for a year. Unfortunately Lyndon has now decided to emigrate back to New Zealand in April so will not be available so again we have no nomination. If no-one comes forward I will be happy to continue as stand in until someone comes forward. At the same time Stephen Guy our long standing auditor also decided to stand down but I am pleased to say that Nigel Bell stepped in and was extremely efficient, only having the books for 3 days.

Thanks to Richard Squire for maintaining our handicap system and producing the results each week. Richard is taking on the role of Vice Captain this year but is happy to continue to maintain the handicaps.

Thank you to Peter Thompson for all his work on the course yet again and also to Dave Fletcher who is carrying out a lot of the maintenance work on the greens. At the January committee meeting Peter suggested changing Barron's Bunker into a pond and two or three days later had dug it out and it was brought into use last week. We now have Peter's Pond to replace Barron's Bunker.

Thank you to Mel Wood and Nigel Swinden who have done significant pruning work around the course. Mel asked Nigel to do some work initially in 2017 which we paid for but having persuaded him to become a member of the club he then managed to get Nigel to do the work voluntarily.

Matthew started his year as Vice-Captain by dropping the old clubhouse which had become rotten and that area now looks much improved. Since then along with Darren Brown and Shaun Harris and of course Peter several projects have got underway.

Disappointingly we now have just one lady member and no juniors with handicap and the Ladies Cup and Junior Trophy have not been played for the past couple of years. We have also had no Ladies Rep on the Committee.

We have nominations for most positions on the Committee but there are still vacancies for a Treasurer, a Ladies Rep and one general committee place if any one is interested when we get onto the nominations.

I am willing to stand again this year and if re-elected I look forward to receiving the excellent support of the members and the Committee once again.

Minutes of the previous AGM

A copy of these had been distributed to all members on the e-mail distribution list and a copy has been displayed in the Clubhouse. There were also a number of copies available in the room on the evening. The minutes were unanimously accepted as a true and accurate record – proposed by Gareth Marsden and seconded by Mel Wood.

Secretarial Report (Mr David Bartliff)

Mr President, Mr Captain, Fellow Members, as always I will start by reporting the membership numbers as on February 26th. Don't forget that we now consolidate the ladies' and men's figures, but we now only have 1 lady member anyway.

Full Life		10	
Honorary Life		1	
Full		45	
Intermediate		2	
Concessionary		13	
		60	<i>(90 vacancies)</i>
Midweek		7	<i>(33 vacancies)</i>
Junior & Child	Junior	2	<i>(0 sponsored)</i>
	Child	2	
		4	<i>(36 vacancies)</i>
Non Playing		8	
Total		90	

These membership numbers are not good, but they are not as bad as I feared at last year's AGM. We only acquired 9 new members last year, but there was still a decrease overall of 8. This was despite the Committee running a membership drive in spring including trial memberships and leaflet and poster campaigns. We did attract 17 trial members, 2 of whom immediately joined as permanent members and we are hopeful that we can persuade some of the others to come back for a full year. Thanks to controlling our costs and raising money with some new initiatives, we are still coping financially, but a significant rise in membership is vital if the club is to survive. The use of standing orders has increased slightly, but does not seem to help attract new members. This year will see a change to the bank account details and payment schedules which means that you will need to update your standing order if you use that method – that is the disadvantage compare to Direct Debit which is still impossible. We will continue to try to find ways to boost the membership, but we also need the support of all members to encourage family, friends and work colleagues who might be interested to come down and get involved. As in previous years, we do not have enough Juniors to enter a team into the HHDUGC League for 2019 and the entry fee continues to be waived in light of the number of vacancies.

Attendance at committee meetings has increased tremendously to 85%, (from 60%), with 2 of the committee attending all 12 meetings and 4 just missing 1. As you may remember, there were some late nominations last year so we managed to get the committee back up to 11, but there are still vacancies and we need to share the work load better as well. However, the injection of new blood has had a galvanising effect and it has been very refreshing to see some of the younger (and older) members taking on responsibility for getting things done. It is still not too late for someone to take on the Treasurer's role if you approach Richard or myself as soon as possible. The downside to the extra activity was an increase in the length of meetings to a surprising 2 hours 50 minutes on average. For the first time, Richard Squire has had to make sure that the fridge was stocked for our meetings and I believe that this is reflected in an increase in profits from the fridge.

As I said last year, we switched website hosts last year, but I was not entirely happy with the new layout and due to a significant rise in costs, I will be migrating it to a new provider again shortly. As previously, I will try to minimise any downtime. I have continued to send out some email newsletters, and will try to increase this in the future. We have continued to persuade members to receive all letters by email, which does help

to keep down costs and reduces the workload slightly, but you have had any problems receiving the Dinner Invitation or AGM Notice etc, please come and talk to me after the meeting. Anyone who is happy to go paperless, can also see me after the meeting to complete the necessary form. Obviously, this means that you need to keep me up-to-date with changes to your email & postal addresses, and phone numbers, please.

We will continue to use the same handicapping computer program and the associated Master Scoreboard web site which I think works very well and the costs are reasonable. As some of you are aware the CONGU handicapping system will be replaced by a new World Handicap System sometime in 2020 – it is still not clear exactly what that means for us but we will let you know as soon as we can. The Annual Review of handicaps has been completed by our sub-committee of myself, the President and the Handicap Secretary, Richard Squire. Again the sub-committee considered the suggestions from the report generated by the computer program together with any additional evidence such as performance in non-qualifiers. Again, some of you have not played enough qualifying competitions to keep a “competition handicap” - so please check it. Any handicapping problems should be sent to me or Richard Squire who has agreed to carry on this year.

Finally, I would like to thank all the committee for their hard work and support over the last twelve months. I am looking forward to carrying on for another year if re-elected as Secretary. Thank you very much.

Financial Statement

A copy of the statement of accounts and the Balance Sheet at 31/01/2019 had been circulated to each member attending the meeting. These are included as Appendices A and B.

Treasurer's Report (Mr Richard Badrock)

We ended the year with a small surplus of £441.37. However, 2019/20 has got off to a good start with the Captain handing over his surplus for the year of almost £650 and Richard Squire handing over £800 surplus from the sale of drinks.

Subscriptions fell by just under £740 due to the reduced membership but green fees increased by £200. We also ran a '250' club at £2 a number with a year's free subs as the prize. This earned £250 with a further £250 to come in to 2019/20 as the prize was won by Matthew Spink who auctioned it off at the dinner and was bid £250 for it.

On the expenditure side course upkeep is significantly down. Last year we put aside £2500 towards a new fairways machine which is still held as an accrual. We also spent £850 on the repair of the wall by the 3rd tee in 2017/18 and more on other machinery repairs. This year we had to purchase a new pump for the sprinkler system.

Significant savings were made on meals after matches as team members agreed to pay £5 per head each match towards the cost of the meals. Electricity showed an increase of £190. We purchased a radiator which to put some heat into the clubhouse in the winter. From 9th February we have changed supplier which will save us around £160 per annum in standing charges with a lower unit charge also. Water charges have increased significantly but we believe this is due to the extreme dry spell when Peter was having to hose areas of the course with mains water to make it playable.

The affiliation to the Yorkshire Union is now a per capita charge payable in May. This was underprovided in 2017/18 with the actual cost being around £850. The 2018/19 figure is an amalgamation of the estimated cost for the current year of £850 plus the under provision last year.

If anyone wishes to ask any questions on the accounts I will try to answer them.

Auditor's Report (Mr Nigel Bell)

Nigel reported that he had ticked off various checks and could not find anything suspicious or out-of-place and was very happy to sign-off the accounts.

The accounts were unanimously accepted – proposed by Peter Thompson and seconded by Barry Goldspink.

Captain's Report (Mr Lyndon Barraclough)

We started the year with four new committee members and the effect of that was refreshing. The desire to address some of the issues that have remained on the agenda for some time saw Matthew get to work almost straight away on the demolition of the old clubhouse.

Matthew's open event raised the funds to replace the old tee mats and Darren and his team organised the work. Ian has undertaken painting and plumbing repairs and Shaun fixed the rot on the veranda supports and has designed new tee hole signs enabling sponsorship to coincide with the new measurement and stroke indices for CONGU. Later in the year Peter has adjusted several bunkers to provide new challenges for next year and a great deal of hard work has transformed the Barron bunker into the new Barron Lake.

And all this work in addition to Richard's considerable efforts to support Peter with the ongoing maintenance of the mowers and assistance with leaf clearance and all manner of other tasks that we all take for granted. Our long-standing committee members have also been inspired by the new members and provided some much-needed balance and reasoning in consideration of new ideas being proposed. I ask that more members consider joining the committee, we have some lively discussions and it really makes a difference to the club.

Another feature of 2018 was the weather, a long cold winter delayed the Captain's Drive-in a little, then followed a glorious Spring with an extended dry spell causing some very difficult rounds in the Summer followed by several wet rounds in August and September. Some members adapted well to the conditions but most of us found it tough going. Those who played in the Winter League enjoyed many weeks of good weather. The format this year ended in a final playoff round on 3rd February when the course was completely frozen. Congratulations to Mel Wood on his victory.

In the team events, Gareth and his rabbits' team gained promotion, Shaun's handicap team avoided relegation on the final day but unfortunately the scratch team were relegated.

It has been an honour to be Captain this year and hard work too. I'm looking forward to being just a player again, but I'll have to wait 11 weeks until my clubs join me in New Zealand.

My thanks again go to Jacquie for her help in the majors, to Richard, David and Peter for their help, advice and support throughout the year. Thanks also to everyone who played and especially the 26 players who rose to my "Play more golf" challenge and qualified for a club cap. I have the caps here tonight for collection.

Lyndon concluded that it had been an honour to be Captain this year – bloody hard work at times but overall very enjoyable.

Union Report (Mr Peter Thompson)

Mr President, Mr Captain, Members

Here are the Castlefields results from the year.

Sunday June 10th, Handicap Team Championship at Outlane

Winners – Outlane 346; 2nd Willow Valley 357;

Best Nett Scot Smith Willow Valley 66, handicap 17; C.S.S. 72 reductions only

Castlefields finished in 15th place - C. Burton 89 gross h'cap 8 ; R. Badrock 96 / 12;
D. Bartliff 106 / 12; C. Tolley 91 / 18

Sunday June 17th 9 Hole Clubs Championship at Marsden

Winners – Marsden 215; 2nd Lightcliffe 222;

Best Nett A. Bull Marsden 78-11-67; C.S.S. 71

Best Gross Scot Minto Hanging Heaton 72 gross, 1 h'cap

Castlefields finished last in 10th place - C. Burton 83 nett 8 h'cap; R. Badrock 80 / 15;
D. Roebuck 75 / 14.

Scratch Team Championship. July 1st at Willow valley

For the second year running a team was not entered due to several players having other commitments.

Seniors Championship at Crow Nest Park

Winner Clive McFazden Bradley Hall & Castlefields 76 gross, 70 nett

Runner up John Heyes Huddersfield 76 gross, 71 nett

C.S.S. 70 - 37 players

27th place P.J. Thompson 99 gross 82 nett

Scratch & Handicap Foursomes

Handicap 1st round

Castlefields 1 v Outlane won (C. Burton & R. Badrock)

Castlefields 2 won (S. Harris & D. Brown)

Handicap 2nd round

Castlefields 1 lost (C. Burton & D. Roebuck)

Castlefields 2 lost (S. Harris & D. Brown)

Scratch 1st round

Castlefields conceded

Scratch League

We finished 5th in Division 3 with 38 pts and are relegated to Division 4.

We dropped 16 points at home so there is plenty of room for improvement there.

Handicap League

Castlefields finished 4th in Division 1 with 36 points.

Also dropping 13 points at home.

Fourball Final at Halifax Ogden – Sunday August 26th

The Castlefields pairings scored as follows on a very wet day:

Mr Captain & Charles Burton 35 pts

Mr. Vice-Captain & Nik Kelly 34 points

Damien Roebuck & Peter Thompson 24 points

West End were the winners with 44 points followed by Willow Valley on 41 points with Queensbury also on 41 points and Halifax on 40 points. 58 pairs took part but plenty of them retired well before the 18th hole

I'm happy to say Castlefields all finished but quite wet,

HHDUGC

Our Union Junior team won the Yorkshire Inter District League - unbeaten in 7 matches and finished 3rd in the Boys' 6 man team event out of 8 teams.

On Sunday Sept 2nd the Union 1st team won at Meltham to finish runners-up to Sheffield the only team we lost to.

The Union A.G.M. will take place at Halifax West End on Tuesday March 12th 2019 at 8m when Gordon Abernethy of West End golf club will be elected president and Andrew Taylor of Crosland Heath president elect.

Peter finished by saying that he will be standing down as a Vice President of HHDUGC after 34 years on the executive. He has done various jobs including Junior League, Junior Coaching, Handicap League Secretary, Trophy Secretary etc. He has been a union representative since 1977 and is happy to continue just attending the 2 meetings a year.

Greens' Report (Mr Peter Thompson)

Peter presented his usual comprehensive report on the greens.

Mr President, Captain, Members:

I would like to start my report by going back to this time last year when the UK experienced a spell of severe winter weather with very low temperatures and heavy snowfall. When the "Beast from the East" came along, only 15 members attending this meeting a year ago. The contrast of shirt sleeves this year, as opposed to ski boots last.

April 18th to 22nd - things warmed up with an unusual hot spell for the time of year with high pressure over the near continent drawing very warm air from the south.

Following on from all this came "Storm Hector" with very strong winds on June 14th - remember! With Hector out of the way summer arrived with record temps - our warmest summer since 2006; driest since 2003; sunniest since 1995 and the grass on the course burnt off nearly everywhere.

Plenty of run on the ball for everyone on to the 1st, 3rd & 5th holes; back into the stream, wood or bushes.

Any short unsettled weather brought rainfall mostly of a shower thunder nature with temps well above average during July & August

Sept 19th - "Storm Ali" hit N. Ireland and Scotland with strong winds & heavy rain, following on with "Storm Bronagh" overnight Sept 20th & 21st with powerful winds and very heavy rain for the South Pennines.

These two storms brought an end to a fine summer and autumn arrived. Richard and I were soon busy leaf collecting.

"Storm Callum" Oct. 13th - 14th brought heavy rain to Wales and very warm air to us.

Dec 15th "Storm Deirdre" was the 4th named storm of the 2018-19 winter, bringing freezing rain & snow to Scotland and N. England; strong winds & heavy rain to the Pennines.

Winter green fences put up but so far only a slight covering during Jan - no sledges in sight. Plenty of morning frost.

But on the course plenty of work has been carried out.

- Tree & bush pruning - Nigel, Mel & Richard.
- New tee mats fitted during summer - Matthew & Darren
- Old clubhouse surrounds – Matthew
- 11th Tee Bottom steps levelled - Matthew & Darren
- 3rd tee area - Mick Bamforth

- 1st tee new steps - Darren Brown
- Bunker faces altered & reshaped - Peter T
- Barron's Bunker now Peter's Pond - Matthew, Mick Bamforth, Darren, Shaun

Greens were overseeded in Aug. and a PH reading showed an increase up from the last reading. Another batch of soil samples was taken last week, results not back yet. I am expecting a PH reading of 5.6 or better. Dave Fletcher has carried out his duties on the greens, when required spraying & fertilizing & overseeding and yesterday he brought back the greens machine which he has serviced. I went straight out and cut them. This morning he came up and put lawn sand on them. The moss is dying off and the course looks well in the sunshine and Peter's Pond has already claimed some visitors this last two weeks and is looking forward to more visitors on Captain Drive-In. All we need now is a little fishing net.

Rule Changes

Rule 4

The Committee proposed that Rule 4 be amended to the following:-

The annual subscription for each category of membership and the entrance fee shall be fixed at each Annual General Meeting but the Committee will have the power to vary both the subscriptions and the entrance fee at their discretion in order to attract new members. The amendments and/or changes will not be above those of the fixed subscriptions and entrance fee. Proposals being given the same notice as provided under rule 13.

Under Rule 4, the Committee proposes that the subscriptions for 2019/20 will be:-

<i>Full Members</i>	<i>£258</i>	
<i>Midweek Members</i>	<i>£172</i>	
<i>Concessionary Members</i>	<i>£129</i>	
<i>Higher Intermediate Members</i>	<i>£172</i>	
<i>Intermediate Members</i>	<i>£129</i>	
<i>Junior Members</i>	<i>£12</i>	
<i>Child Members</i>	<i>£12</i>	
<i>Non Playing Members</i>	<i>£25</i>	
<i>Entrance Fee (Full)</i>	<i>£75</i>	<i>Withdrawn at present</i>
<i>Entrance Fee (Midweek)</i>	<i>£50</i>	

One free child / junior membership may be added to any Full Membership – this will not be restricted to parents / grandparents.

A facility will be made available for Full Members to pay by Standing Order, with the first payment of £28 in March and followed by 10 monthly payments of £23 from April to January. Otherwise members will need to make a single payment by bank transfer, cheque or cash.

Green Fees will be : Midweek - £6 Adults, £3 Juniors. Weekend - £10 Adults, £5 Juniors.
Locker Rental will be £10 / £15

Nik Kelly asked for clarification on the concessionary rate and the change to Rule 4 was then put to the vote and was passed unanimously.

The committee further proposed that Rules 3 and 15 be modified as follows :-

3. The Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of President, Captain, Vice Captain, Immediate Past Captain, Treasurer, *General Secretary, Membership Secretary, Handicap Secretary*, Union Liaison Officer, Ladies Secretary, Junior Representative and six other full members who shall serve for three years each, two retiring each year but being eligible for re-election. Four members of the Committee shall form a quorum.

15. *Whilst in office, the Captain shall be exempt from paying the annual subscriptions, and the President, General Secretary, Membership Secretary, Handicap Secretary, and Treasurer shall pay annual subscriptions equal to half the amount that would otherwise be due.*

The Secretary explained that the Secretary's role has become too much for one person and should be split into two – General and Membership. Further the Handicap Secretary should be part of the committee and is entitled to some concession on subscriptions. With those changes, and bearing in mind the costs involved, the proposed change to Rule 15 means that the Captain continues to pay no subscription at all and the other named officials should pay half. This was accepted and the changes passed unanimously.

The committee also proposed that Rule 5(c) be modified to remove the requirement for sponsored juniors to live within two miles of the club, and that there is no need for Rule 5(d) to specify the subscription rate for children as it is covered by rule 4 :-

5(c) Junior members must be children or grandchildren of full playing members or must be sponsored by a full *member*. On the 1st March after attaining the age of 18 years, junior members may transfer to Intermediate membership without payment of the entrance fee provided they have been junior members for a minimum of 3 years.

5(d) Child members must be children or grandchildren of full playing members and must be aged 11 or under on the 1st March. Child members may only play under the supervision of the parent or grandparent. They will transfer to junior membership on the 1st March following their 12th *birthday*.

Paul Jackson asked for clarification of the text of the rule which was given. Jim Briggs pointed out that the old "two miles" rule was so that we could not be accused of poaching juniors from other clubs. These rule changes were also passed unanimously.

Finally, the committee proposed that Rule 12 of the COMPETITION RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY be completely rewritten as follows :-

12. *Social and matchplay knockout rounds are allowed on Friday evenings prior to weekend competitions and on 'competition days' where the course is not closed. However, at those times, competitors are not allowed multiple putting practice on the greens or towards the greens, (i.e. you may not play 2 or more balls).*

Matthew Spink explained that he had proposed the rule change after seeing the benefits of similar rule changes at Huddersfield because it increases the time available for knock-out and social golf. It was agreed that all golfers at Castlefields are of a standard where we will not benefit unfairly from such limited practising on the course and so the rule change was passed unanimously.

Election of Officers

The President then suggested that the President and Secretary who had held office in 2018/19 and had been nominated to hold the same office in 2019/20 could be re-elected en-bloc, there being only one nomination for each office. The vote was unanimous in favour.

Position	Nomination	Proposer	Secunder
President	R Badrock	M Spink	I Fenton
Secretary	D Bartliff	I Haley	I Fenton
Junior Representative	D Brown	I Haley	I Fenton
Union Representative	PJ Thompson	I Haley	I Fenton
Committee 2 Years	S Harris	Elected to 2021	
Committee 2 Years	I Fenton		
Committee 1 Year	G Marsden	Elected to 2020	
Committee 1 Year	M Wood		

Club Captain Matthew Spink : Proposer Lyndon Barraclough & Secunder PJ Thompson
 Lyndon said “It is my pleasure to propose Matthew Spink for Captain. Matthew has worked throughout this year to improve the course and develop the club to be sustainable for the future. Not only has he personally got his hands dirty out on the course, he has also been active on the committee with many well-thought-out suggestions, ideas and proposals for course development, fundraising, events and ways to improve member facilities and increase membership. He’s not a bad golfer either. Under Matthew’s Captaincy I’m sure that the 2019/20 season will be even better than this year has been.”

Peter endorsed the Captain’s remarks and added that he had watched Matthew closely for the last few years and he is very determined and gets things done. He was sure that it will be a superb year, just like this one.

Matthew was then duly elected unanimously with no abstentions.

Our new Captain responded by greeting the President, members and friends and apologised for the lack of his Captain’s jacket. He briefly outlined his plans for the year with some competitions starting from 12 noon on Fridays as it had been in the past. The aim is to increase the competition entries especially for the members of the scratch team. He is also introducing midweek medals which quite a few people had asked about. He emphasised that he is quite a social guy so that side of the club will be encouraged and with other initiatives such as tee sponsorship he aimed to raise several hundred pounds a year to spend on the club which he felt had got a little shabby over the last ten years.

Vice-Captain Richard Squire : Proposer Matthew Spink & Secunder I Fenton
 Matthew apologised for Richard’s absence due to his shift work but he said that Richard already did a lot for the club and just needs a little push which he is happy to give him. Ian said that Matthew had already said it all and was very glad to support him. Richard was then duly elected unanimously with no abstentions.

Treasurer Nigel Bell : Proposer Matthew Spink & Secunder Barry Goldspink
 Nigel came forward during the meeting and was duly elected unanimously with no abstentions and simply said that the Treasurer’s letter will go out as normal.

General Committee Post (3 Years) Ian Haley – Proposer M Wood & Secunder I Fenton
 Ian was elected unanimously.

Auditor

There was no nomination for this post, but Nigel Bell offered to find someone to take on the role.

Any Other Business – Items from Last Year

Tee Mat Replacements

This has been completed.

Wall near the 3rd Tee

It was reported that we had been asked if it was possible to have a fence in that location to ensure the privacy of the newly built house at the other side of the wall. We had agreed to this, but on the condition that they would be responsible for all costs and future upkeep and that the fence is the property of the golf club. A document had been signed by both parties detailing this agreement.

Annual Dinner

This had been moved to autumn as discussed at the last AGM and it was agreed that the new date and venue were very successful. Indeed several members thought that it had been the best dinner for quite a few years. We intend to have the event at the same venue this year at a similar date.

Any Other Business – New Items

New Hole Order

The Secretary explained that we are trying to spread out the shots given in knockout matches and follow Congu guidelines as far as it is possible with a course like ours. We also specifically wanted to finish nearer to the clubhouse, i.e. the old 3rd green. We had also had to re-measure the course and overall the new yardages are very slightly longer.

Paul Jackson agreed with the changes and particularly like the idea of trying something new.

World Handicap System

Paul Jackson asked about the replacement for the current CONGU system which he thought will be based on dropping the worst 4 scores from each player's last 20 rounds. The President explained what we know so far which is that each player will have a handicap index and each course will have a slope and the combination of the two will be used to calculate the playing handicap for each competition. This year most courses will be assessed for slope, but we have been told that we will have to wait as we are too short for the standard methodology. The target date for switching is still January 2020, but it is more likely that the new system will not be active for the 2020 season although some trials will take place. Jim Sykes asked about qualifying scores which will be based on all home and away scores as before.

Meeting Closure

There being no further business, the President thanked the members for attending and the officials of Rastrick Bowling Club for the use of the club's facilities. He then gave the date of the first meeting of the new Committee as Monday 18th March at 7:30pm in the Clubhouse.

The AGM was closed at 9:28 pm.

Appendix A

CASTLEFIELDS GOLF CLUB
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT 2018/19

	18/19	17/18		18/19	17/18
Income	£	£	Expenditure	£	£
Subscriptions	14354.00	15087.00	Course Upkeep/M/C/Reps	2455.09	6655.26
Entrance Fees	0.00	0.00	Greenkeeping	5700.00	5760.00
Locker Rents	200.00	150.00	Post,Printing/Stationery	356.17	355.27
Green Fees	352.00	152.00	Rates & Insurance	1610.93	1610.94
250' Club Surplus	250.00	0.00	Electricity	887.60	697.46
Course Hire	200.00	100.00	Water	304.76	137.00
Donations	150.00	150.00	Affiliations - HHDUGC	570.00	560.00
Fixture Book Adverts	120.00	120.00	- HHDRGA	60.00	50.00
Score Card Adverts	0.00	120.00	- Yorks Rabbits	20.00	10.00
Bank Interest	52.12	4.58	- Yorks Union	1297.10	351.75
Dinner Dance Surplus	0.50	-92.00	Meals after Matches	390.00	1089.10
Other Income		1.00	Engraving	180.00	207.00
Grant for Defribulator		1000.00	Handicap Master Fee	180.00	180.00
			Advertising	120.00	0.00
			Clubhouse Expenses	239.46	106.19
			Sundries	277.00	52.45
			Skip Hire/ Roofing Old C/H	589.14	
			Defribulator		998.39
			Surplus for Year	441.37	-2028.23
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	15678.62	16792.58		15678.62	16792.58

Appendix B
CASTLEFIELDS GOLF CLUB
BALANCE SHEET AT 31/01/19

	2018/19	2017/18		2018/19	2017/18
Accumulated Fund b/f	22593.37	24621.60	Balance at Bank Nett	23002.54	22545.36
Surplus for Year	441.37	-2028.23	Cash in Hand	32.20	48.01
	<u>23034.74</u>	<u>22593.37</u>		<u>23034.74</u>	<u>22593.37</u>

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Auditor : N.Bell *N.Bell*

President : R.Badrock *R.Badrock*