

# Somerset Junior Golf League

## AGM Minutes

### Burham and Berrow 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025

**Attendees:** Chair Jill Byrne (Wheathill), Secretary James Wilde (Saltford), Treasurer Tim Bowden (Burnham & Berrow), JO's representative Peter Clarke (Long Sutton), Neil Hitt (Wells), Steph Childs (Taunton & Pickering), Dave Owen (Saltford Boys), Craig Young (Worlebury), Katie Hartley (Cricket St Thomas), Darren Aston (Burnham & Berrow).

**Apologies:** Stewart Jones (President), Tom Snell (Mendip), David Phillips (Saltford Boys), Jackie Richards (Mendip Spring), Donna Adey (Yeovil).

Jill opened the meeting welcoming all attendees, Jill also welcomed Katie from Cricket St Thomas who will be joining the league in 2026.

<b>1.0</b>		<b><u>Past AGM Minutes</u></b>	
	<b>1.1</b>	The Chair, Jill Byrne, asked whether there were any objections to the previous AGM minutes. No objections were raised, and the minutes were approved and signed by Jill.	
<b>2.0</b>		<b><u>Previous Actions</u></b>	
	<b>2.1</b>	All actions raised during the last AGM were confirmed as completed.	
<b>3.0</b>		<b><u>Presidents Report</u></b>	
	<b>3.1</b>	In the President's absence, Jill read Stewart's report. Stewart apologised for being unable to attend but emphasised that he felt it was still important for the AGM to proceed.	
<b>4.0</b>		<b><u>Chairs Report</u></b>	
	<b>4.1</b>	Jill thanked Stewart for his report, reiterated how well she felt the year has gone and the importance of the league, along with her want to grow the league.	
<b>5.0</b>		<b><u>Treasurers Report</u></b>	
	<b>5.1</b>	Tim circulated the income and expenditure report.  Tim confirmed all entries fees for 2025 have been received.	<b>Action:</b> Tim to provide PC with updated invoice form for 2026 season to be sent to all clubs for 2026 season.
	<b>5.2</b>	It was agreed the prizes for 2026 will stay the same as 2025.	
	<b>5.3</b>	Tim explained there were some new and ongoing expenditures – mainly being the fees for the new website.	<b>Action:</b> Jill to arrange payment for the website for 2026.
<b>6.0</b>		<b><u>Secretary Report</u></b>	
		James gave a summary of the season.	
<b>7.0</b>		<b><u>Social Media Report</u></b>	
	<b>7.1</b>	No report.	

<p><b>8.0</b></p>		<p><b><u>Overview of 2025 season and 2026 planning</u></b></p> <p><b>8.1</b> Whilst James felt the changes made for the 2025 season went well and felt the league would continue to feel the benefit from continuing with the 2025 format.</p> <p><b>8.2</b> Neil questioned whether all clubs should be required to enter the league if they wish to enter the other events. Dave Owen suggested that at the moment Salford Boys and Girls would not be in a position to do this and wouldn't continue in the league if these changes were made.</p> <p><b>8.3</b> The current Jamboree format was discussed regarding the number of clubs entering. It was agreed each club would be restricted to entering one team only. Also under the current format of the winners hosting the next year, it was decided that a limit on hosting to be set at 3 consecutive years, after which if the host club wins the jamboree for a 4<sup>th</sup> year the second-place team would then be the hosts for the next year.</p> <p><b>8.4</b> All clubs were reminded to follow the follow the fixture guidance and any issues to be immediately discussed with the committee.</p> <p><b>8.5</b> Katie requested a summary of the formats, that Jill provided</p>	
<p><b>9.0</b></p>		<p><b><u>Costings 2026</u></b></p> <p><b>9.1</b> The committee and attendees discussed various options, finally agreeing on the following fees make up for 2026 –</p> <p>League only - £45  Knockout only - £35  Jamboree only - £30  All 3 competitions - £100</p>	
<p><b>10.0</b></p>		<p><b><u>Prizing giving</u></b></p> <p><b>10.1</b> Tim confirmed this year's league prizes of £100 for the league winners and £50 for the runners up, will be arranged to be sent to the respective clubs or they can be credited towards 2026 entry fees by arrangement.</p>	
<p><b>11.0</b></p>		<p><b><u>Re-election of officials</u></b></p> <p><b>11.1</b> Committee officials were asked if they were willing to serve the committee again for the 2026 season, James will be stepping down as Secretary following the closing of the AGM, Peter has agreed to stepping into the role for 2026, with Seph to join as the JO Representative. Both were unanimously elected.</p>	

<p><b>12.0</b></p>	<p><b>12.1</b></p> <p><b>12.2</b></p> <p><b>12.3</b></p> <p><b>12.4</b></p> <p><b>12.5</b></p> <p><b>12.6</b></p> <p><b>12.7</b></p> <p><b>12.8</b></p> <p><b>12.9</b></p>	<p><u><b>AOB</b></u></p> <p>Jill raised the AGM meal and the cost. It was discussed and decided that the meal will no longer happen, but the attendees will be instead invited to have a drink following the AGM.</p> <p>Neil brought up handicaps for the competitions, it was agreed that every junior would be required to hold a valid CHD ID handicap.</p> <p>The prizes given to the winners for the Knockout was discussed, it was decided to not provide glass trophies but increase the quality and volume of golf balls (possible logo's) for the JO to distribute as they see fit to any/all players involved in their team getting to the Final. It was also proposed that a Runners Up Shield should be purchased going forward.</p> <p>Craig asked if Div 3 players can play in Div 2, it was agreed that this wouldn't be an issue in theory but the player would be required to play off the max handicap for the division. It was highlighted that this may cause issues with calculating the division results due to an individual's handicap not being as on the WHS system. Such players would have to be added manually to any results printout.</p> <p>Neil asked a question on the 36.4 handicap limit in Div 2. To remain as is for 2026.</p> <p>Player and parental conduct were discussed, there is now guidance on the website regarding this. Div 1 &amp; Div 2 players will be required to sign and agree to this at competition registration.</p> <p>Neil asked if the knockout finals and league finals could be held at the same venue on the same day. Issues around clubs reaching both finals were discussed, final neutrality and the availability of a hosting club.</p> <p>A further discussion was held on the completion of the league and knockout rounds to allow the finals to be held earlier. The following dates were decided on – League 20th September and Knockout 27th September. All clubs were asked to note these dates with regards to the possibility of needing to host as a neutral venue.</p> <p>Craig raised issues around some of the events not having buffer tee times, it was decided that these are desirable but this would be down to individual hosting club.</p>	<p><b>Action: Jill to investigate.</b></p> <p><b>Action: Peter to look at this at the end of the 2026 season.</b></p> <p><b>Action: Jill and Peter to look into this further.</b></p>
<p><b>13.0</b></p>	<p><b>13.1</b></p>	<p><u><b>AGM 2025</b></u></p> <p>Location to be arranged, but a date of 29/11/2026 was agreed.</p>	<p><b>Action: Peter to arrange and circulate.</b></p>
<p><b>14.0</b></p>	<p><b>14.1</b></p>	<p><u><b>Meeting Closed</b></u></p> <p>Jill closed the meeting at 12.35, thanked everyone for attending and for their ongoing support. Jill then invited all attendees to the post meeting meal.</p>	