



# Gaudet Luce Golf Club

## Seniors Annual Meeting

MINUTES of a meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Name	Office	Initials	In Attendance
Exec Chairman (Competition Chair)	Nigel Nash	NN	Y
Competition Secretary	John Doidge	JD	Y
Finance	Adrian Gill	AG	Y
Communications	Vacancy		
Team Captain	Mike Clark	MC	Y
Handicaps	Roger Burrows		N
Club Captain	Trevor Bassett	TB	Y

Meeting commenced 2.00pm

### EXEC CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS:

Nigel Nash opened the meeting and explained that he was chairing the meeting as Bill Clifford was currently unwell and unable to attend.

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received and noted from the following members:

Bill Clifford, Rich Moran, John Miles, Jed King, Dave Pulley, Wilf Mason

41 Members were present at the meeting

### TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Mike Clark presented his report and thanked section members for their support during the season.

A prize was presented for the "Best Player" in the team matches. This was based upon having played at least 6 matches and the best percentage of wins from matches played.

The results were:

First Place - Will Byrne

Second Place – Martin Baxendale

Third Place – Mike Clarke

MC concluded by saying that he was willing to act as Team Captain for 2026 but would stand down for the following year (2027). He asked if anyone wished to take over the captaincy, to make contact and potentially "shadow" the role for the upcoming season.

### COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT:

John Doidge presented the statistics for the previous year's competitions and commented that entry numbers were holding at a good level.

JD continued by ensuring that Members had seen the recent communications concerning the updated version of the HowDidIDo app. It was emphasised that whilst there is a nominal charge for using the app, the web version was still available free of charge.

A question was raised by Craig Wilson as to how good was the app in comparison to the previous version. NN took the question and responded by saying that there are still issues with the new version that need resolution. HDID are aware of these issues and hopefully, these will be resolved in short order. He then requested that members shouldn't send issues they find to Sam Waters but should use the "feedback" facility in the app to advise HDID directly, unless specifically linked to their Gaudet Luce handicap.

### **FINANCE SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Adrian Gill commenced by issuing copies of the Annual Financial Statement up to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025.

AG ran through the headline numbers which showed a slight surplus due mainly to the Senior's Open.

The section accounts were agreed and signed-off.

Proposed; Craig Wilson, Seconded; Robin Jones

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

As their 2 year tenure has been completed, the following roles were up for election:

Competition Secretary, Finance Secretary, Handicap Secretary, Communications Secretary.

NN stated that as JD was Club Captain Elect and would be busy for the coming year in his new role, he would not be continuing in his current Competitions role.

Nominations were received, as follows:

<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>Nominated</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Seconded</b>
Competition Secretary	Ray Dunn	Mick Westwood	Keth Dobbins
Finance Secretary	Adrian Gill	Nigel Nash	John Doidge
Handicap Secretary	Andy Waters	Richard Humphries	John Grant
Communications Secretary	No Nomination		

These nominations were accepted by the members and as unopposed were voted-in en-block.

The Communications role will be reviewed and filled subsequent to the AM.

### **ALLOCATION OF SECTION FUNDS:**

#### **POINT 1**

Although not directly aligned to the allocation of section funds, the subject of competition entry fees and the previous AM's removal of the "Ball Sweep" was raised under this section of the meeting.

AG commenced the discussion by outlining the numerous comments from members during the year concerning the demise of the sweep.

NN interjected and asked if the subject could be redefined as a 2's sweep as it had nothing to do with balls in other section's competitions. The competition software automatically produces a report after a competition is closed stating anyone who entered a score of 2 or better on a hole.

After comments were fielded from the floor, the Chair proposed a vote to first see if there was an appetite for the return of the 2's sweep in section competitions. By a show of hands, the majority of members voted for its return.

NN continued the discussion by asking the members whether they wished to continue with prizes in the form of balls or would they prefer to do, as the Gents section, by having funds applied to their levy card which they could spend how they wished.

The Chair proposed a vote and again, by show of hands the majority chose to have the funds on their levy card.

AG then explained the options of keeping competition entry at £3 but making necessary savings elsewhere or funding the sweep from an increase in the competition entry to £4.

Dave Wheatley asked if it could be optional to enter the 2's sweep. NN stated that the Gents section chose not to have it optional as there were discrepancies when balancing the takings at the end of a competition. It was agreed that it was much cleaner to have a simple, single fee.

The Chair proposed a vote on increasing competition entry fee from £3 to £4 inclusive of 2's sweep and the increase was carried by 24 in favour vs 7 against.

Therefore, in conclusion, 2026 Senior's competition entry fee will be £3 competition entry plus £1 (compulsory) 2's sweep with the 2's funds paid out on a comp-by-comp basis.

## **POINT 2**

NN stated to the members that whilst Ray Dunn has been elected as Competition Secretary and his Club V1 licence is funded by the Exec, JD will be assisting Ray during the transition period and has also offered support if the Competition Secretary is unavailable. In order to carry out this role, JD requires an additional licence at a cost of circa £170.

NN proposed to the members that this was funded by the section. No objections were raised and this was passed without a vote.

## **AOB**

Mike Clarke had previously mentioned the formation of a working party/section committee to oversee the running of the section between Annual Meetings. This would be by organising monthly/bi-monthly meetings, as required.

The group would be made up from the section officers, Team Captain, Open Organisers etc.

NN stated that this was acceptable and should be an open meeting. If any section member had a point to raise, they could attend the meeting in person or advise one of the attending officers to raise on their behalf.

With no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 2:50pm.