Minutes of the Bakewell Golf Club ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in the Clubhouse on Thursday 28 November 2024

DRAFT FOR RATIFICATION AT THE 2025 AGM

1. Apologies for absence:

Mr D Brock, Mrs J Brock, Mr T Stevens, Mr J Youdan, Mrs S Youdan, Mr P Freeman, Mr T Moody, Mr G Oliver, Mrs S Oxspring, Mr P Outram.

Present:

N Peters, P Hambly, A McGough, E Hudson, H Hudson, S Hudson, V Cousin, M Trew, P Trew, P Buckley, N Trend, P Chadwick, M Birds, R Birds, M Haynes, J McGough, M Bright, M Cockerton, G Holmes, F Parker, P Wright, P Webster, D Webster, P Atkinson, B Northin, D Northin, S Rawlings, D Wilde.

2. Approval and signing of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday 24 November 2023.

Proposed: P Hambly: Seconded: D Northin.

3. Matters arising from the meeting.

There were no matters arising.

4. Approve revisions to the rules and regulations of Bakewell Golf Club.

Proposed: N Peters. Seconded: E Hudson.

- 5. Presentation of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024. The treasurer, Nigel Trend, thanked the previous treasurer, Steve Hudson, for an exemplary handover.
 - a. The account sheet for the year ended 31 March 2024 was presented. A summary of the narrative follows.
 - b. Surplus of income over expenditure for year of £8024 compares with £289 surplus last year. Within this, there was an increase both in income and expenditure.
 - c. Main components of change:
 - (i) Income
 Kitchen bar and cellar rental up from £7.6k to £10k. Replaces bar profit
 and this was a full year
 Subs and lockers up from £72079 to £82954
 Green fess up from £19351 to £24080
 Bank interest higher

(ii) Expenditure

Small increase in a number of our admin costs, although some savings such as insurance.

Big increase in electricity costs, likely more kitchen activity and cellar cooling.

Saving in wages through not having our own steward

Course supplies have increased by £8k but timing issues account for part of this – year end March 2023 was lower than March 2022, and then the year end March 2024 had some big bills in March for the current season (and we don't treat it as stock).

d. Balance sheet

Total Accumulated fund stands at £68101 vs £60077 a year ago. Increase equals surplus of Income over Expenditure. Within this, we have:

- (i) Reduction in Fixed Assets limited spend in the year, depreciation was higher.
- (ii) Current assets broadly aligned to year before but cash down as subscription receipts to 31 March were £5k lower.
- (iii) Current liabilities lower than last year subs in advance £5k lower and trade creditors £3k lower.

The treasurer gave an overview for those present on the outlook for this year. On completion of the presentation of accounts the outgoing Captain, knowing how much work goes into the role of treasurer, thanked the treasurer for his hard work over the past year.

Acceptance of accounts for year ended March 2024:

Proposed: J McGough Seconded: N Peters

6. Appointment of independent financial record examiners for year ending 31 March 2025. Thanks were expressed to Mr D Brumhead and Mr A Mellor for their work on examining the financial records for 2024. They had both agreed to continue in the role for 2025.

Proposed S Rawlings: Seconded: P Atkinson

7. Proposal by the club committee to implement subscriptions commencing First April 2025 as follows:

Full	£ 677	Country	£411
Seniors	£ 609	22-35	£ 435
19-21	£ 320	Full Time Education	£ 163
Social	£ 20	Spouse Social £ 5	
Practice	£ 60	-	

Spouse Social membership is available for all classes of membership. Juniors (up to and including age of 18 at 31st August 2025) £70 Locker fee Large £ 25 Small £ 10

All playing subscriptions exclude affiliation fees to the national and county unions along with personal liability insurance for playing members (approximately £21.00 per member).

Proposed: P Atkinson. Seconded: M Trew

8. Club captain's report.

The outgoing club captain, Mr S Hudson gave his report verbally and a transcript is at Annex A.

9. Captain of the ladies' section report.

The outgoing lady captain, Mrs J Goodwin, who was not present at the meeting, had her report presented by Miss Emily Hudson. A transcript is at Annex B.

10. Elections.

Elections (where required) for 2024 management committee positions were as follows:

President (election not required)
Treasurer (election not required)
Secretary (election not required)

Greens Chair Membership Sec

Fixtures Events & House

Junior Organiser Member One Member Two Men's Captain Men's Vice-captain

Men's Competition/Handicap Secretary

Ladies' Captain (election not required)

Ladies' Competition/Handicap Secretary

M Bright incumbent.

N Trend incumbent.

P Buckley incumbent

R Birds P Chadwick P Outram

M Haynes S Rawlings A Williamson J McGough

M Trew

P Wright

gapped.

E Hudson

P Buckley

Honorary Secretary 28 November 2024

Annex A to the minutes of Bakewell Golf Club AGM 2024

Club Captain's Report

Mr President, Lady Captain, Ladies and gentlemen. The Club Captains report is a review of the golf club over the course of the year. I'll leave the Ladies side to Emily who will deliver the Lady Captains speech on behalf of Jean our Lady's Captain.

The year from November 2023 onwards started off very badly with probably the worst winter and spring that any of us can remember. We had what seemed like incessant rain where Noah's Ark would have been much more useful to us than an 8-iron. Our golf club unlike many of our neighbours at Matlock, Chesterfield and Sickleholme hardly ever closes but even we were closed for a number of days as the course resembled a paddy field.

Somehow, despite the Monsoons we did manage to get through the Winter Marathon and the early season Captains comps albeit with certain date rejiggings. I like to give a huge thanks to Sam Buckley for organising the highly popular Winter Marathon which was won by Bryan Moran. The fundraising early season Captains Comps of which there were five won by Mark Callaghan.

On the Social side we had a very enjoyable Burns Night festivity and a number of Quiz Nights arranged by Jean over the winter which were very popular.

In late March the playing season began in earnest and over the course of the playing season from the Baslow Pot in March (the one I've always wanted to win but never have) to the closing Cartledge Cup in October we had no less than 38 Mens Competitions both general and board competitions and in total there were 940 entrants taking part. In addition, the Club Night was run over 24 weeks with 361 scorecards entered with Tom Buckley coming out victorious. With the combined 1,301 entrants, this takes a huge amount of administration and organising so thank you to Peter Wright for everything he does as competition and handicap secretary – it's a huge job that Peter does brilliantly.

On the team side we had the Captains Team Matches against our old friends at Chevin, Dore and Totley and Lees Hall together with new matches against Hope and Chatsworth. It was pleasing to report that Bakewell had overall wins against every club except for the narrow loss against Lees Hall. All the matches were played in good spirit and they enjoyed our excellent hospitality here and likewise we really enjoyed our time at their courses. Many thanks to my Vice Captain John in press ganging sorry let me rephrase that encouraging participation in playing for the team. We had lots of new players playing in the team for the first time which was great to see,

In the Taskers Trophy both our A and B teams were defeated in the opening round, both won their games in the opening Plate matches before losing – A to Thrybergh and B to Hallamshire both were very difficult away matches. Thanks to Derek organising the A Team. In the National Pairs we had a very good away win at Erewash and lost away at Beedles Lake. Thanks to Em for organising that.

In the Interclub Foursomes in the Cartwright Cup Bakewell reached the final losing to Chevin. In the Compton Cup Bakewell reached the semi final losing to the ultimate winners Chapel. Many thanks to Vernon Bamber and Geoff Holmes in organising the teams and matches.

In the Derbyshire Handicap League Bakewell came a very creditable second in the Northern League to Chesterfield Golf Club. Thanks to Peter for being the organiser. Bakewell Golf Club was founded in 1899 and so 2024 was our 125th Anniversary as a golf club. On the 25th May we held our 125th Anniversary social event with Marquee and live music from Will Hawthorne which was really enjoyable. Bakewell Golf Club was

then invited to the South Herts GC 125th Year Invitational Event in June where other clubs who were formed in 1899 and those with

special affinity with South Herts were invited. These included the likes of Moortown, Royal Jersey, Royal St Georges, Moorpark, Forfar and Lindrick to name but a few. 18 clubs took part in the Competition and our team comprising the Captain, Secretary Phil, Comp Sec Peter and member James Cockerton representing our founders family all played well on what was a great day. Amazingly little old Bakewell won the competition – much to the surprise of some of these highly prestigious clubs. South Herts laid on a fabulous two days

In July, 36 of us went to the Captains Away Day at a very welcoming New Mills Golf Club and we generally got away with the weather! Mike Green won the 18 hole individual prize and Rob Keeble, Rick Hawley, Nigel Trend and Em winning the 9 hole team comp. Many thanks for all the admin that Em did on the day and thank you to all the players who took part which I really appreciated. On Captains Day thank you to all the 45 players that played in the competition which was won with a marvellous net 62 by Peter Atkinson. Many thanks to all the ladies who supplied the wonderful cakes for the halfway house. In the evening we had 70 up at the club for a fantastic BBQ laid on by Tom and Clare which was smashing.

My personal highlight of the year was the inaugural Ryder Cup Challenge were 12 players representing Bakewell and District took on 12 players representing Eyam and District and over 6 foursomes, 6 fourballs and 12 individual matchplay singles played on one day the match was tied at 12 each – a fantastic outcome for the first playing of the event. Huge thank you to Brian Middleton and the lads at Eyam who came up with this fantastic idea and it will now become an established fixture in the golfing calendar at the club.

I give my thanks to our President Mike in laying on a lovely Presidents Day in August where 23 pairs took part with a splendid win by Derek and Brenda Northin. Our junior section has grown from strength to strength. When Michelle took over there was 11 and by this year the number had quadrupled to 45! Many have gone on to obtain an official WHS handicap. Junior Club night was very popular It was the second year of our Junior Golf Sixes team entering the Derbyshire League and the highlights included a win away at Chatsworth and a second place at home with the home pair winning the highest scoring pair comp. The Club hosted the new golfing initiative 'Get into Golf Rookies and the return of Girls Golf Rocks. These were really popular and attracted many new junior golfers to the club with many of them continuing with further coaching and becoming new members. We also held a Next Gen and Futures Tour event with 35 juniors from across Derbyshire taking part. The club held a successful junior fundraising day where half the proceeds were donated to the Bakewell and District Friday group where our junior members presented the cheque and had a photo and write up in the Peak Advertiser. The junior year finished with a packed Junior Presentation evening last month. Our coach Ricky Carvell continued to lead the junior teaching superbly. On this note I'd like to say a special thank you to Michelle who ran the Junior section - not only that but she arranged our coaching for adults who wanted to get into golf – including the parents of some of our juniors.

All of us here who have enjoyed our golf over the years know what pleasure the game has given to us. We all started our golfing journey somewhere with much help when we started out – Michelle has given that great gift of helping our youngsters and some adults at the outset of the great golfing journey – what a precious thing to give. Thank you for your wonderful commitment and dedication you are the best ambassador this club could ever wish for.

Thank you to Ed and Jack our greens staff for looking after the course. As you know we have taken Jack on board full time to help get the course looking better for the benefit of us all. This was a major

increase in our financial costs but hopefully we will see the benefit in the future with a better course bringing in more members and visitors.

At this point I would like to give my thanks to two people who are at the heart of making the golf club tick our Secretary Phil and Treasurer Nigel. They do a huge amount of work day in day out for this club in so many ways. May I also pay my compliments to all the rest of the Committee for taking responsibility for various roles whether it be greens, membership, competitions, fixtures and events, house, juniors, safeguarding. Everyone has a role to play and working with others to simply make this club work. So thank you to Jean Goodwin, David Wilde, Paul Chadwick, Paul Outram, John McGough, Peter Wright, Michelle Haynes, Maureen Birds, Val Cousin, Andy Williamson and Steve Rawlings you all do a fantastic job on behalf of us all which we so appreciate.

As my year comes to a close may I thank you all for the honour you have given me in allowing me to be Captain of this wonderful golf club. I've been here nigh on forty years and I love the place, I'll always hold it dear in my heart and I've been very proud to have served you this year.

Annex B to the minutes of Bakewell Golf Club AGM 2024

Lady Captain's Report

I do not intend to go on for too long or to try and paint a rose-tinted picture of my year as your Ladies Captain. I am going to start with the bad bits - please forgive me for that. Four of our Ladies did not rejoin last year, 3 moving to other Clubs, followed by two further resignations during the year. As the Ladies Captain this was difficult to deal with - both in terms of organising Club events and on a more specific level it was very hard not to take it personally, despite being assured by most of those who left that it was nothing to do with my taking over the helm! You will remember that we had previously voted on whether or not we should enter teams in the County Silver and Bronze competitions for 2024. Those of you who have been involved with organising such things will know that entry has to be made way back in the previous season. We did enter teams in both competitions and in the Interclub foursomes - but in the end I had to make the painful decision to withdraw Bakewell Ladies from each of these competitions. Sad times indeed. However..... This year we have had some good times and good news too. Some of our newer lady members have been working hard to get their handicaps and have left me in no doubt that we have the tender shoots of growth in our section which may well blossom into better times. I like to believe that in a couple of year's time we will be entering Silver and Bronze teams into the County Competitions again and challenging for cups and trophies. We have also been lucky enough to get some more new members, Jane, Suzanne and Demelza have joined our ranks and I truly hope they will come along and join in with the group in the fullness of time. We've had some excellent days over the summer - my "away-day" at Broughton Heath was good fun and it was truly lovely to be able to invite our newest members to join in. Thanks to everyone who came along and supported me. It was also very encouraging to see that, despite the poor weather you came along and played in Lady Captain's Day - congratulations to Pauline who took the trophy this year. If you didn't get to play in the mixed event at Leek Westwood then I hope you will support the fixture when they come back and play at our Club next year. They are a tremendously friendly group and have made us very welcome every time we've played there even asking us back for their "invitation" day. At our Annual Ladies Meeting it was agreed that there will be a small increase in the cost of entering competitions. We also debated a suggestion that the maximum handicap index for all ladies competitions, including board competitions, be raised to 54. This suggestion was not supported, although there was some support for the idea. A discussion on having an alternate day for all competitions had also been put forward. It was decided that this was not practical for such a small cohort of members but that there will continue to be competitions available at the weekend - that was the case this year but these were very poorly supported. It was also agreed that all cups and competitions will be reviewed, Brenda Northin was kind enough to offer to be part of this review. I want to thank a few people who have gone above and beyond this year. We owe a lot to Michelle Haynes, her tireless work in organising Junior and Adult coaching has led to a lot of our new recruits seeing the opportunities here and deciding to join our ranks. Her enthusiasm is infection and I thank her sincerely for all the time and energy she puts into the Club, the Club shop and more especially for the help she's given me over the last year. I'd also like to thank Maureen - despite all that she and her family are going through she has helped and supported me so much during my Captaincy. Once again this year Val has put her heart and soul into the Bunny Hop - always a great success. She has also

taken on the role of Welfare Officer, has organised your Christmas lunch and is always there for me when things aren't quite how I wish them to be. I'm sorry if I've missed anyone out, you're all great people and I've enjoyed playing golf with you all. If, as looks likely, we don't have a Lady Captain next year please consider stepping forward to help with the organisation of some of the weekly or annual events which are coming up. It would be great to start up the Tuesday afternoon meet-ups again to run alongside Thursday Competitions. Although it looks like there isn't going to be a Lady Captain's Day there's no reason why there still can't be a "special day" in its place and the Forrest Trophy will still be played for....it just won't be Lady Captain's afternoon if there is no Lady Captain. I hope you will all support John McGough who will be a great Captain next year. I wish him all good luck in his special year. On a very personal note many of you know that I have a shoulder injury which requires surgery. It looks likely that this will take place around February, and as I've been told that I won't be able to play sport for six months, there's a good chance I will be out of action for the whole of next season. If that's the case I wish you all the best. Keep up the good work and enjoy your golf. Jean