



**SBGS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021  
CORREIA BAR SÃO ROMÃO 21st<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 4PM**

**APOLOGIES**

John Hesse , David Elsworthy, Sean Hayes, Philip Lockyer, Roger Hatley, Susan Martin, Clive Walker, Tony Monks, Richard Lay, Alex Jackson, Jeff Sweet, Christian Parn.

**ATTENDEES**

Eric Coulson, Steve Coulson, **Ty Gardner**, **Jonathan Winfield**, **Adrian Jones** , Chris Mudd, Adrian Wallace, Miranda Wallace, John Gittens, Chris C Gudge, Ron Martin, Sandra Stronghill, Allan Stronghill, **David Keeble**, Barry Knightley, Stan Russell, **Simon Davey**

**CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

**Ty** opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. He said that it had been a very successful year and despite Covid19 which had prevented golf for 3 months, the Society had fulfilled all its fixtures with only the knockout not being able to be completed. He felt that it had been one of the best years that SBGS had experienced in recent years.

Special praise was awarded to the Committee as a whole for their steadfast work during the year in working to make it so successful, and to Christian Parn in particular for his exemplary work as Captain for two years and who currently was very sadly in hospital with abdominal issues.

Finally thanks to Simon for his work as Secretary and to both Christian & Simon in dealing with the results, awards and handicaps.

Ty emphasised that the Committee really needed more help and that any member who felt they could assist with any Secretarial, Handicap or Website duties initially as a backup whenever any committee member might be ill or unable to fulfil their responsibilities for whatever reason, should get in touch.

He welcomed Jonathan Winfield as Captain for the 2021-2 season and Adrian Jones as Vice Captain, there being no other members applying to stand for Committee or Chairman.

Ty advised that he thought away days from Benamor could be a good thing going forward during the next year, he was aware that many members play on the G.I.T.S charity golf days and that if any member heard of a good deal going at any course they should let the committee know.

## TREASURERS REPORT

(See attached report attached)

**David** explained that as we had not had any further sponsorship in 2020-21 funds had not increased and remained just slightly ahead of the closing balance in 2019-20 (around €600). He explained that the majority of funds were spent on prizes and this had increased this year as more games had been played. As the Society is not a profit based organisation this is still a healthy situation but precludes the society making any other significant expenditure (i.e. shirts) without an increase in subscriptions.

He advised that due to the 2s collection and donations we had raised €415 for charity.

He recommended that subscriptions remain the same for 21-22 however should the society decide to purchase new shirts, then additional funds would be needed as shirts for 30 members would cost over €1000

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS / RESIGNATIONS

**Simon** advised that to date he had received new membership applications from

Chris Mudd  
Richard Lay  
Adrian Wallace  
Miranda Wallace

And one retirement from Iain Baguley

He advised that he had written to David King as he had not played all season and it was agreed he would be placed on the inactive list until such time as felt fit to play. As an Honorary lifetime member he may become active at any time but in the meantime he would not be pestered with repetitive competition emails.

It was expected that active membership numbers for 2021-22 would be around 40 which is the optimum figure, above which all players wishing to play may not be able to be always included in competitions, especially if they were very late to confirm attendance.

## NEW SPONSORS

**Simon** announced that the Society would have a new sponsor for next season "Bensons Woodliving" of Vilarinhos who specialise in all interior and exterior woodwork.

He thanked Nico Marosan very much for supporting the society with a donation of €500.

Details of Bensons Woodliving will be posted on the society website.

## SHIRTS

Simon explained that the Committee would like to purchase new shirts for all members for the new season and all the sponsorship money would be used for that purpose. However it would not be enough to cover the costs for quality shirts and the committee proposed a motion that all

members could contribute an additional €10 this year to assist this outlay. He asked the floor to vote on the motion.

From the floor an amendment was suggested that this be increased to €15 and this was seconded and passed by members.

## HANDICAP SYSTEM

**Simon** suggested that it had been a very good year and members agreed with this. He explained that up until the last couple of Stableford games up to 10-12 members could have won Player of the year, a very healthy situation indeed. Eventually the top 3 places went to high handicap players.

The team games played had been exceedingly close with only 1 point separating the winners.

During the year 17 different players had won medals compared to 14 the year before

21 different players had scored 36 points or more compared to 15 the year before

He explained that the committee were looking at a handicap system like the WHS based upon the best 8 out of 20 but at present there was not sufficient data to make it meaningful. The WHS itself had not been devoid of complaints during the past year.

He recommended that everything stay the same for the coming year where players in addition to their individual game corrections would receive an annual correction if their best 6 average was below 30 or above 36.

This was approved by the members.

## CHARITIES

It was suggested that the Bombeiros remain as the principal SBGS charity and this was approved.

## SOCIETY RULES

No amendments had been suggested and the rules will remain the same as for the recent season.

**(Please note Temporary Covid Rule 9 concerning rakes in bunkers has now been discontinued)**

## FORMAT OF GAMES

The Society holds 12 Stableford competitions, a 3 Club and a putter competition, Captains Day , Vice Captains Day ( Normally Team Games ) a 2 Day Stableford Challenge and a Xmas Comp. 18 games in total.

There are many different types of game we could play and the committee welcomes any suggestions especially for the special event days.

## **WEBSITE**

**The Website is fully up to date regarding events and results including the 3,4s & 5s calculations. Amendments would take place this week to present our new sponsor. Photos of the year's competition winners are now available to view.**

## **AOB**

**Chris Cameron Gudge voiced his appreciation of the Committee and offered his support in any capacity.**

**There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Chairman at 1700**