

SAO BRAS GOLF SOCIETY	
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES - 2022/23	
VENUE - CORREIA BAR - SAO RAMAO	
DATE - 07 SEPTEMBER 2023 - START 16H00	
SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND DISCUSSION	ACTION
<p>1 APOLOGIES Peter Box, David Elsworthy, Richard Lay, David Keeble (DK), Brian Halliday, Mark Anderson, Eddie Tittensor, Roger Kidd, Iain Baguley.</p>	
<p>2 ROLL CALL OF ATTENDEES - 19 ATTENDED Ty Gardner (TG), Adrian Jones (AJ), Robin Moore (RM), Ray Diamond (RD), Clive Walker, Florence Tittensor, Christian Parn, Eric Coulson, Stephen Coulson, Roger Hatley, Jeff Sweet, Alex Jackson, Gerry McKenna, John Gittens, Jonathan Winfield, Keith Byrne Fraser, Martin Crago, Ron Martin, Stuart Read.</p>	
<p>3 CHAIRPERSON'S ADDRESS - TY GARDNER</p> <p>3.1 TG thanked everyone for attending and said that the Society had a good but difficult year - mainly as a result of 2 specific incidents - the resignation as Secretary followed by the exiting of Simon Davey as a Member and the suspension of George Savage for taking a "Gimmee" in the August 2023 Monthly Stableford - which he went on to explain in further detail as well answering a couple for further questions from those present. He confirmed that the Committee is committed to ensuring that discipline is maintained in line with the rules of the Society.</p>	
<p>3.2 RM commented that in terms of the Governance Framework, the Committee has overall responsibility for discipline but that Members should take personal responsibility for themselves and their Visitors as well as holding one another accountable.</p>	All
<p>3.3 TG re-iterated that the Committee firmly support the principle of Freedom of Association and that Members are free to play with any other Society or Club. Furthermore the Society would not try and persuade or dissuade people from joining any particular organisation.</p>	
<p>3.4 TG indicated that Members would be asked shortly to advise as to whether they would be renewing their memberships for 2023/24 - so tee times and other arrangements could be finalised as soon as possible. RM undertook to send a note to Members.</p>	RM/All
<p>4 TREASURER'S REPORT - INCL. UPDATE ON FUNDS AND DONATIONS - ADRIAN JONES</p> <p>4.1 AJ advised that he has acted as Treasurer in DK's absence this year - and supplied a Spreadsheet of Income and Expenditure - see attached.</p>	
<p>4.2 He explained that there is a current surplus of E1570, with E680 required to pay for the Annual Awards, leaving a float of E500 and a provision for charity of E309 - which would be carried forward so as to make a bigger payment in 2023/24.</p>	
<p>4.3 He confirmed that a minimum of 23 Members would be required at a Membership fee of E50 for the Society to breakeven in 2023/24. This increased to E60 if there were only 20 members.</p>	
<p>5 CAPTAIN'S REPORT - ADRIAN JONES</p> <p>5.1 In summary, AJ said it had been an exciting year "on the course" for the Society. We averaged 6 tee times per competition with a peak of 8. There were a number of very good scores and performances. The Player of the Year is being hotly contested and will only be determined at the 2-Day Challenge. The Christmas Event and Social were very successful, as were the Past Captain's/Jeff Sweet, 3-Club and a Putter, Captains Day and Vice-Captain's Day Competitions. The Monthly Stableford Competitions had also been excellent and well supported.</p>	
<p>5.2 A wooden spoon will be presented to the person coming last in the Monthly Stableford's in 2023/24.</p>	AJ
<p>5.3 Jeff Sweet (JS) has kindly offered to sponsor the prizes again for the Past Captains Day in 2023/24 and provide a Floating Trophy for the winner. Thank you Jeff.</p>	JS
<p>6 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS/RESIGNATIONS - ROBIN MOORE</p> <p>6.1 Summary of changes in 2022/23 - RM advised that there are currently 41 active Members and 1 suspended. 5 Members resigned during the year, and 1 exited.</p>	

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<p>6.2 Renewals for 2023/24 - 2 Members have indicated that will not renew for 2023.24. At the suggestion of Jonathan Winfield, those present were asked to indicate who would be renewing for the new season. All 19 present - see 2 above for names - indicated that they would.</p>	Attendees
<p>7 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2023/24</p>	
<p>7.1 The AGM was advised in advance that the following were prepared to stand for election : Ty Gardner - Chairperson, Adrian Jones - Captain, David Keeble - Treasurer, Robin Moore - Secretary, Vice Captain - Ray Diamond.</p>	
<p>7.2 After the floor indicated that there were no further nominations, the nominees were duly elected and verified.</p>	
<p>8 REVISED GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK FOR APPROVAL - ROBIN MOORE</p>	
<p>8.1 Subject to any changes or updates for items listed 9 below, the revised Governance Framework as circulated on 03.09.23 was approved and adopted. RM to upload it onto the website as soon as possible.</p>	RM
<p>8.2 The Schedule of Committee Responsibilities to be updated by the new Committee and published on the website by 31.10.23.</p>	Committee
<p>9 GOVERNANCE ITEMS FOR SPECIFIC APPROVAL - ROBIN MOORE</p>	
<p>9.1 Home course for 2023/24 - Confirmed as Benamor.</p>	TG
<p>9.2 Membership fees for 2023/24 - Confirmed at E50 - excl. a shirt - unless a sponsor is found. See 13 below.</p>	DK
<p>9.3 Discontinuation of medals for 1st, 2nd & 3rd at monthly competitions - Agreed.</p>	AJ/DK
<p>9.4 Discontinuation of Inclusion 2-Day Challenge results in Par 3's, 4's and 5's competition and Player of the Year the from 2023/24 Season - Agreed.</p>	RM
<p>9.5 Visitors eligible for 2s competition subject to paying fee - currently E2 - Agreed.</p>	DK/AJ
<p>9.6 Countback - to be based on 2nd 9 total, then last 6 and then last 3 holes - for all Stableford competitions - Agreed.</p>	RM
<p>9.7 Revised Provisional Ball Rule - Wording amended slightly as per Mark Anderson suggestion to RM - Agreed.</p>	RM
<p>10 EVENTS CALENDAR - ROBIN MOORE</p>	
<p>10.1 RM advised that the draft schedule is already on the website and that we will be looking at including some away days during the year.</p>	
<p>10.2 TG asked that Members discuss any suggestions they may have with him.</p>	TG/All
<p>11 UPDATED WEBSITE - ROBIN MOORE</p>	
<p>11.1 RM said that the website was almost up to date. Members were complementary on the new look, but Stephen Coulson asked whether we could look at changing the black background. RM said that once the wording etc. was complete, he would engage with the software provider about amending the look - particularly on cell phones.</p>	RM
<p>11.2 RM asked that Members contact him with any suggestions for improving the website.</p>	
<p>12 ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER - TY GARDNER</p>	
<p>TG advised that arrangements were being finalised for La Piazza on 08.10.23. Details would to be circulated shortly. Members asked him to ensure that food would be served timeously and that a limited menu be considered if necessary.</p>	TG
<p>13 SPONSORS - TY GARDNER</p>	
<p>TG requested that Members look for potential sponsors for the Society in the range of E500 to E1000 per annum. Sponsors could be offered advertising rights on the website and shirts - as well as access to Society events etc.</p>	All
<p>14 SHIRTS - TY GARDNER</p>	

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<p>The Committee will look into providing shirts in the new season. Members will need to pay for them if a sponsor is not found.</p>	TG
<p>15 HANDICAP UPDATE The Committee will review the handicap and MSA rules in time for the October Stableford. The current rules can be found on the HANDICAPS & MEMBERS tab on the website.</p>	Committee
<p>16 ITEMS IDENTIFIED BY MEMBERS FOR DISCUSSION - per email of 19.08.23 No items raised by Members in advance of the AGM for inclusion on the agenda.</p>	
<p>17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>17.1 Jeff Sweet commended the Committee for all its hard work over the last year and particularly over the last few months.</p> <p>17.2 Florence Tittensor thanked the Society for the warm welcome that she and Eddie had received on joining - and re-iterated that Members should be free to play in other Societies - which TG confirmed on behalf of the Society.</p> <p>17.3 On behalf of the Society, TG congratulated both Penny Thornberry and Eric Coulson on their Holes in One during the year.</p>	
<p>18 CLOSURE OF MEETING There being no other business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 17h05.</p>	

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Sao Bras Golf Society Income & Expenditure Report

	2021-22	2022-23			Notes	
	Actual	Budget	To 7/8	Expected		Total Yr
Opening Balance	689	470	590	1570	590	
Income						
Sponsorship	500				0	
Subs	2125	2250	2000		2000	1
Guest subs	90	50	135		135	
Sundry	31	50	55		55	
Total Income	2746	2350	2190	0	2190	
Expenditure						
Snirts	722	75	70		70	2
Prizes	1626	1600	776	680	1456	3
Entertainment	114	300	0		0	
Website / marketing	245	250	289		289	
Sundries	138	120	75		75	4
Total Expenditure	2845	2345	1210	680	1890	
Movement for period	-99	5	980	-680	300	
Closing Balance	590	475	1570		890	

Charity balance	445	309	309
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Notes

- 1 59 full year 2 half year
- 2 E5 less than last years estimate
- 3 end of year costs estimated
- 4 handicap software