

SURBITON CROQUET CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 26th MARCH 2017

At 11.15 George Noble rose to welcome members to the 2017 AGM.

1. Present.

See attached list

2. Apologies for Absence.

Quiller Barrett, Iden & Rosemary Coleman, Philip & Lorraine Hellen, Bryn Hughes, Roger MacKinnon, Julian Sheraton-Davis, Gina Lewis, Mary Knapp, Don Beck, Sarah Churchill, James Corrigan, Elaine Phillimore, Ian Vincent, Ian Bond, John Barrett, Stephen Parish, Mike Hann, Mike Burrow, Mike Lambert, Andy Dibben, Alec & Jenny Thomas, Graham de Kock, Graham Brightwell, Sue Osborne.

3. Minutes of the last AGM

Approved without amendment.

4. Matters Arising not covered elsewhere.

Still not managed to find a new internet supplier, there has been a dalliance with Virgin, but the problem seems to be the cable is on the wrong side of the road. Will keep badgering them.

5. Chairman's Report.

Copies of the full report were emailed, and paper copies available before the meeting. There were no questions or comments.

6. Treasurer's Report.

Copies of the Annual Accounts were handed out.

George thanked the members for their work in helping out at the club, this helped keep the subscriptions down.

There was a question as to why income from subscriptions was lower than in previous years. One possible explanation is that new members joining later in the playing year paid a subscription which took in the following years subscriptions. It was suggested that if this was the case then part of their subscription should go forward into the following year

The Accounts were accepted: proposer Jonathan Edwards, seconder David Mooney.

7. Elections for 2017-18.

Committee.

As all the existing committee members were willing to serve another year, and in their current capacities, all were deemed to have been re-elected, no vote being taken.

The committee for 2017-18 George Noble Kitty Carruthers Mike Lambert (secretary) Mike Burrow Margaret (Treasurer) Hampson Chris Osmond Graham Brightwell David Mooney Martin Burger Sue Strong

Chairman and President.

The Chairman will be elected from within the committee at the first committee meeting.

Ian Bond's term as President does not expire this year, so no election is necessary. **Auditor.**

Ian Bond has agreed to continue as Auditor.

8. Subscriptions.

In line with inflation, subscriptions will rise by ± 5 this year to ± 183 , although members paying by the end of April 2017 can pay at the rate of ± 173 .

9. CA

Under the new Croquet Association membership system, all club members will eventually become members of the CA. The CA is now working on a system to accommodate the expanded membership and we have been asked to supply our membership list to help develop the new arrangements. The requested information will only involve names and addresses (including email) and telephone numbers. We would like to help, but needed to be sure that no member who did not wish to share such information with the CA should be involved. The members had been asked about this by email and none had objected.

10. **AOB.**

Alan Grundy asked what being an automatic member of the CA involved rather than a player joining separately. The main difference is the level of access to CA fixtures book tournaments.

AC & Golf Croquet coaching starts on the 26/04/17. Connie Savory said that she found it very confusing being coached in both AC and Golf and felt that coaching should be limited initially to GC and the player then being encouraged to try AC. The committee agreed to consider this idea.

Charlie Sturge thought that our concessionary rates were far too generous particularly country membership.

The formal business of the meeting closed at 11.45am.

Signed Date