

## **SWSC AGM 2016**

Held at THE WALES AIR AMBULANCE CONFERENCE CENTRE Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 10.00 am.

Present: Howel Craven secretary, Ray Morgan chairman, Chris Bailey Treasurer, Bernard Leather, Peter Watkins, Owain Picton, David Christopher, John Davies & Brian Price. 32 members attended representing 15 clubs & 27 teams.

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked all present to observe a minutes silence for departed Senior players.

The notice convening the meeting was read by the secretary.

Apologies were received from :Builth Wells, Carmarthen, Glynneath, Grove, Raglan Parc.

- 1) The minutes from the 2015 AGM were read. Matters arising: Item No 7 the Qualifying round be split into 2 regions to be made permanent and entered into the SWSC rules. Item No 8 Any team forfeiting their qualifying round should take no further part in the current year's competition. This be left to the discretion of the committee. Both proposals were passed unanimously.
- 2) **Treasurer's Report.** Chris handed out copies of the balance sheet indicating we had a smaller balance this year of £657.91, this was due to our Donation of an extra £500 to WAA. He was in possession of some stock i.e shirts & ties. The raffles were up considerably. A query from the floor regarding the sundries mentioned was explained that while making the various draws members of the committee had refreshments also at the neutral venues the helpers had similar. The chairman also explained that the sundries also included costs associated with our internet service provider for our web site. Acceptance of the balance sheet was Proposed by D Christopher Seconded by Robbie Roberts.
- 3) Chairman's Report. The chairman apologised for his absence during the year due unfortunately to a continuing medical condition. Slightly later than 11.00 am he asked all to stand and observe a minutes silence on this Armistice Day. He then emphasised the need for the match forms to be sent in with all details filled out and thanked those who had done so during the past season.
- **4) Secretaries Report.** Howel said how disappointed he was with Cradoc not fielding a team on Finals day leaving the club professional out of pocket. The members from Cradoc present apologised to him personally as they were unaware of the circumstances. (The full report can be had by e mailing the secretary).
- **5) Election of Officers.** Gordon Elliot (Glynhir) Proposed Tom Askew. Seconded by Robbie Roberts. Tom Askew (Glynhir) Proposed by Gordon Elliot. Seconded by Robbie Roberts. Both elected unanimously.
- **6) Discussion re Item 9 on the Agenda.** A leaflet outlining the various proposals were handed out to all present. These had been e mailed to all participating clubs & published on the SWSC web site.
- 7) Proposal No (1) The chairman pointed out the advantage sustained by the home clubs in the first 3 rounds of the classic and his reasons for proposing a "level playing field". A short discussion clearly indicated that the majority of members present felt that the competition should remain as it is and as a result the chairman withdrew the proposal.
- **8)** Proposal No (2) Proposed by: Gordon Elliot GlynHir Golf Club, Seconded by Robbie Roberts GlynHir Golf Club.
  - Any club that enters the competition and progresses through to the finals day of the Cup or Bowl is expected to field a team at the finals day. Failure to field a team at the discretion of the SWSC committee could be banned from entering the competition the following year.

This was carried by 12 votes to 11



Proposal 3: Proposed by G Elliot Glynhir, seconded by Robbie Roberts GlynHir

For all team matches the Captains of both sides on the day prior to the first tee-off agree the shot allowance for each of the matches. Rhidian Lewis of Neath stated that the Team sheets should be filled in by both sides previous to adding the players handicap, in the event of a players h/cap be wrongly inserted then the matter would be taken up by the committee.

The proposal was withdrawn.

Proposal 4. Proposed by Colin Airey (Gower) Seconded by Ray Jones (Gower)

That the SWSC keeps the ¾ allowance and not the 90% set by CONGU. **This was out voted unanimously**.

Proposal 5: Proposed by Roy Gallop( Derllys Court).

(1): That the SWSC adopts the recommended CONGU handicap allowance for pair's better-ball (ie 90% rather than 75%)

Passed with only one vote against.

(2): To use neutral courses in lieu of the home advantage **Not carried.** 

Proposal 6. Proposed by Owain Picton (Milford), seconded Brian Keen (Milford)

(1): In the event of the H/Cap allowances changing to 90% all k/o matches go out in combined order, lowest first.

The proposal was defeated with only 4 votes in favour.

(2): The upper limit of 24 in the CLARET JUG be reduced to 20.

The motion was defeated with the codicil that the Claret Jug rule(3C) be amended to 90%.

**Proposal 7:** Proposed by Mike Lewis (Glynneath)

That all players contribute £5 per player towards the cost of a meal after the match. The secretary explained the difficulties in trying to implement a rule given the diverse nature of privately owned clubs. No vote taken.

The meeting closed at 12.15 pm.

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