



DRAFT MINUTES OF THE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 3rd JANUARY 2020

Present	Carol Horgan Maurice Salzmänn Chris Jones	President Vice President General Manager	
In attendance	46 members in attendance		

One minute silence to remember those no longer with us.

The President presented the 'Club Person of the Year' award for outstanding contributions to the Club this year to Chris Goodwill – Chris was unable to attend due to illness.

The President read the following statement - Chris has been an incredibly active member of our Club for over 20 years. He has represented squash, racketball and tennis teams and has also successfully captained many teams on behalf of the Club. As well as the commitment that he has put into playing for the Club, he has also been a great advocate of the Club. He has introduced many families to junior sports and encouraged them to join. Recently through Nexus, the company that he works for, he has been instrumental in supporting the rackets section across many areas:

Ladies first team racketball sponsor, Racketball Club Championships sponsor and Tennis section sponsor.

He has also played a key role in developing and supporting the Nexus Junior Tennis Tour which is a partnership between Nexus, Exeter Golf and Country Club and Devon Tennis. It has provided opportunities for over 120 players from across the County in its first year, seeing over 1,000 matches played. His two daughters regularly play tennis and swim at the Club and take part in lessons, tournaments and events. He has been an integral part of the rackets section for over two decades and continually looks for ways that he can help develop sports at our Club. Chris fully deserves Club Person of the Year award for all of the time and support that he has given to benefit the Club of which he truly is an ambassador.

1	Apologies 12 members tendered their apologies for absence.
2	Approval of Minutes held on the 4th January 2019 The minutes were agreed with no amendments.
3.	Presidents Report May I start my end of term report by thanking you all, especially the Past Presidents for the confidence they had in nominating me as the 2019 Exeter Golf and Country Club president. It truly was an unexpected honour to be nominated and I have tried to serve you and the Club to

	<p>the best of my ability. I would also like to thank all those who give up their time to sit on the Club Committee which meets monthly. Your Board of Directors also meet months and during my year in office I have been privileged to attend these meetings. Our Directors give so freely of their time and expertise to ensure our Club meets all its members expectations and our staff under the leadership of our General Manager, Chris Jones, are fantastic always going that one step more to ensure we are made welcome and enjoy our visit whether it be to play golf, squash, racketball, tennis, work out in the gym, play bridge or have a meal in Wear Park or the Sports Bar. During the year I have attended a committee meeting of most of our sections. Each section has a committee made up of volunteers who ensure that the section runs smoothly. Thank you again to everyone who steps up to help the sections run smoothly by sitting on its committee. The support I have received from sections, particularly the golf and bridge sections has been overwhelming. So many of the bridge section members gave a kick start to my charity, Dream-a-way, by collecting and filling Smarties tubes with 20 pence pieces. The generosity of the golf section on the Presidents golf days was amazing. I specifically looked for a Devon charity to support during my year in office and chose Dream-a-way as it is a locally based one which provides grants towards holidays and outings for Devon people of any age with any sort of disability. My initial fundraising target was £1000 but exceeding all expectations hopefully when final promised donations are received this will be in the region of £2700. Once again thank you all so much for giving me the opportunity of serving the Club as your President, I have enjoyed the privilege and thank you all very sincerely. It is with great pleasure that I second Maurice's nomination as President of the Exeter Golf and Country Club. As Vice President Maurice has been a great help to me during my year as your President and undertaken any task asked of him. I am sure Maurice will make a worthy President of our Club and I wish him every success.</p>						
4.	<p>Section Reports - tabled These reports are available on the Club website.</p>						
5.	<p>ELECTION OF OFFICERS</p> <table><tr><td>President</td><td>Proposer</td><td>Seconder</td></tr><tr><td>Maurice Salzmann</td><td>Les Nicks</td><td>Carol Horgan</td></tr></table> <p>Carol Horgan presented the incoming President, Dr Maurice Salzmann with the Badge of Office and Maurice then took the chair.</p> <p>Presidents Acceptance My thanks go to Les (Nicks) and Carol (Horgan) for their proposal and seconding of me as President of Exeter Golf and Country Club for 2020. And to all of you here this evening for not voting out my nomination. It is a huge honour and I very much hope that I can do a good job of representing the Club and it's members throughout the year. As a family together with my wife Gael, daughter Brooke and son James we joined in the early 90's following our migration from London and the Home Counties for my work at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital. Over the years I have experienced all sections, except Bridge to date, that the Club has on offer to greater or lesser extent and remain an active player of tennis, still being tolerated sufficiently</p>	President	Proposer	Seconder	Maurice Salzmann	Les Nicks	Carol Horgan
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to turn out for some of the lower level men's and mixed teams. Also golf which I came back to relatively late in life after my long term weekend adult preoccupation with the sport of hockey was drawing to a close. And was flattered to be selected to play in my first couple of Seniors' golf matches in 2019. I very much hope to be able to continue these this year. And who knows, maybe even win one this time!

I have been a part of the Club Committee for the last 6 years, 5 as men's tennis captain and most recently as Vice-President. I therefore like to believe that I have a reasonable understanding of how things work. And also of the hopes and aspirations of the Club and it's members. Early this year we should start seeing the beginning of the new building programme to spend the monies realised from the sale of the old golf practice range area. And look forward to continuing the discussions and working with the Board to optimise the planned improvements in the sporting and social facilities available to us all here.

My thanks go to Carol for her year as President and congratulate her on the funds she has raised for her chosen charity, Dream Away. Well done!

My charity for 2020, "Taw Coronary Care Unit Trust Fund", at the Royal Devon and Exeter is a probably unsurprising reflection of my past working life and personal family circumstance which most, if not all, of you will probably be aware of. Gael has had a torrid last year and a half courtesy of a rare heart condition that has necessitated frequent hospital admissions. It regrettably remains on-going at present but between times she is well and, I am happy to say, here this evening, having had to miss out on last year's AGM. In many ways I am sure that if her health had been different it would have been her standing here instead of me, she having been a far more active contributor to organisation of Club activities over a longer period. But I promise to try to do my best for you all in her stead and offer reassurance that Gael will undoubtedly continue to organise me and tell me what needs to be done, and when.

Thank you.

Vice President

Vic Fox

Proposers

Roger Ellis

Seconders

Liz Turner

The Club Committee nominees are:

Club Committee

Karen Cleave

Stuart Martin

Proposers

Les Nicks

John Milford

Seconders

Pete Bennett

Les Nicks

As there were no further nominees, the above members were elected.

Vote: Carried unanimously.

6.	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Les Nicks asked for an update on the redevelopment and Will Gannon provided a short overview.</p> <p>Rick Pillow said:</p> <p>2020 sees the 125th anniversary of the formation of EGCC. In 1895 the subscription fee was 1 pound 11 shillings and 6 pence.</p>
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There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 7.30pm