

Studley Wood Seniors Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 September 2025

The meeting opened at 1249hrs

In attendance: Jonathan Perks (Chair), Gerry Prickett, Tim Mustill, Paul Smith, David Hughes, Russel Matthews, Richard Ilett, and Chris Fill.

1. Apologies - Christopher Perks

2. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the SCM held on 1st August 2025 were accepted in full.

Matters Arising

All matters arising were either completed or were addressed later in the meeting.

3. Feedback from General and Men's Committee meetings

No General Committee had been held in the intervening period.

Following the previous decision to trial the use of fairway portable mats when ground conditions were very wet, JP presented a sample mat that had been used by a member of the Senior section.

This raised various questions concerning their availability, use and the rules concerning their deployment. JP will seek answers at the next General Committee meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report (Agenda items 4 and 5)

PS had distributed his report prior to the meeting.

4.1 He reported that the accounts now include all the roll-up income up until 31 August.

4.2 The retained sum from roll-ups was now 8.46% which he considered to be good.

4.3 £50 was still outstanding from the Captain's Charity Day accounts despite the individual debtor being chasing on three occasions.

4.4 One of the key issues concerns the variability with which the monthly prize payments are made. Some people get paid and others don't. This appears to be due to the individual who undertakes the transfer of monies gets distracted when processing the transactions.

A discussion arose about how best to resolve the issue. It was concluded that JP and AB needed to reconsider the process and determine how the monies could be distributed more accurately, considering the available resources and goodwill. **Action: JP**

5. Fixture Secretary's Report

- 5.1 RI confirmed his previous report stating that the fixture list for 2026 was now complete. All of the club's Tadmarton fixtures are managed by AB.
- 5.2 RI has now completed this year's M4 Winter League fixtures.

6. Awaydays / Tour Update

- 6.1 The relatively low number of members attending the tours this year gave rise to discussion about the possible issues and reasons for the low turnouts. GP suggested that we only arrange one tour per year.
- 6.2 Attention was also given to the recent awayday at Calcot Park and the lower than normal, numbers in attendance. Consideration was given to the overall value, distance travelled, the quality of the courses selected, and the quality of the food and refreshments.

It was suggested that an awayday at a prestigious course, for a reasonable fee, might attract more Seniors. Discussion on both the tours and the awaydays was postponed until the next meeting when CP will be attending.

- 6.3 The appropriateness of the award of AB vouchers as prizes at these events was raised. Some felt that it might be better to pay cash directly onto the winner's club card. Others argued that a tangible prize that the winner(s) could take away would be better, even if it was an envelope with a notification slip inside.

No decision was reached and the topic will be revisited over the winter period. **Action: JP and CP**

7. Proposed roll-up programme for October

- 7.1 The proposed playing programme for October was discussed. Some amendments were made, partly to ensure that, wherever possible, there was a team game and an individual game, each week.

CF agreed to present the revised schedule for posting on the website and notice board. **Action: CF.**

- 7.2 It was agreed that the notion of a 'Waltz BSG' was unfair and that a 'Waltz GSB', or 'Waltz S', or even 'Waltz SCB' were the only viable formats. The BSG format on the website is to be changed to GSB. **Action: JP**

8. Roll-up & Results Rota

- 8.1 Prior to the meeting the captain presented Bob Clarke with the inaugural Seniors Masters trophy following his victory in August. The committee congratulated him on his well-deserved success.
- 8.2 The rota was discussed, and a few amendments made due to holiday commitments. JP to revise and re-issue rota to all committee members.
Action: JP

9. Competitions and Matches

- 9.1 JP reported that SW Seniors have played 17 matches this year, and have won 10, Drawn 3 and Lost 4.

Results: August 2025 - matches and roll-ups

August 2025 Friendly Matches

11 August	Donnington Grove (home)	Won	
19 August	Goring and Streetly (home)	Won	4 - 2
20 August	Harleyford (away)	Halved	3 - 3

August Roll-Ups

There were 5 individual competitions in August, all of which were qualifiers.

5 August - Seniors Masters Rd 1 (Strokeplay) - won by
Bob Clarke (Nett 71) Div 1
Michael Wood (Nett 72) Div 2

7 August - Seniors Masters Rd 2 (Stableford) - won by
Keith Nicholson (38pts) Div 1
Ken Tuffley (37pts) Div 2

14 August - Quarterly Challenge - won by
Graham Burt (Nett 69) Div 1
Gerry Prickett (Nett 62) Div 2

19 August - Club M-W Stableford – won by
Clint Green (43pts) Div 1
Joseph Smith (43pts) Div 2

28 August - Annual Challenge - won by
Graham Brogden (Nett 72) Div 1
John Dennis (Nett 72cb) Div 2

Three team competitions were held.

12 August - Alliance - won by
Ted Peycke, Ben Pritchard, Gordon McMurdo and Paul Peros (98pts)

21 August - Pairs Better Ball - won by
Richard Hayward and Barry Muir (46pts)

26 August - Waltz - won by
Hans Menzel, Clint Green, Paul Fitzgerald, Graham Reed (93pts)

10. Knockout and Eclectic Competitions

10.1 GP circulated a suggested prize allocation for the KOs and this was agreed.

10.2 GP reported that the KO competitions were progressing with the semifinals for the Singles and the Pairs competitions about to be completed.

11. M4 Winter League

11.1 TM informed the committee that due to his holiday arrangements, captains were required for two matches. **Action: TM**

12. Any Other Business

12.1 JP informed the committee that one of the clubs with whom we play friendly matches, has suggested that we play for a trophy, each year. It was agreed that this type of bonding arrangement needed to be based within a special context, as per the Painter's Plate played with The Wychwood. As there was no special context, it was agreed that this offer be declined. **Action: JP**

12.2 Although many were saddened to hear the word 'Christmas' voiced in September, it was agreed that the Seniors Christmas lunch would be held on Tuesday 9 December.

It was agreed that JP would ask Graham Reed if he would be prepared to provide the musical entertainment. RI would also check the availability of The Shabby Tockers. **Action: JP, RI**

A sub-committee will be formed and most of the normal events would be held following a shotgun start at 8.30. **Action: JP**

The meeting closed at 14.26hrs.

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 9 October.

Chris Fill

13 September 2025