

Studley Wood Seniors Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 October 2025

The meeting opened at 14.01 hrs

In attendance: Jonathan Perks (Chair), Gerry Prickett, Paul Smith, David Hughes, and Russel Matthews.

1. **Apologies** – Tim Mustill, Chris Fill and Richard Ilett
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the SCM held on 2 September 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**

From the general Committee:

- Fairway, portable mats are due to be trialled by the Seniors in November (18th and 25th roll-ups). Following the trials it will be mandatory to use mats when advised by the club. It is expected that mats will be most needed in December and through to March.
- Standard mats will be available to hire from the club (AB golf have enough material to produce enough mats for the trials). Alternatively, players can use their own mats: AB Golf / SWGC are investigating a source for better quality mats for members to buy.
- Temporary winter tees will be set up on the par threes. It will be possible to insert regular tee pegs into them.
- English Golf have revised the rules regarding pick and place: it will now be necessary to seek permission from BB&O as previously.
- Over the winter, "no access" areas will be staked out rather than roped. All members will need to be vigilant that these restricted areas are respected.
- Micro-coring will start in the week beginning 13th October.
- Matches in the club diary should be transferred to BRS.
- The preparation for the planning application regarding the refurbishment of the driving range is now at its final stage. Trackman will be installed prior to the other proposed changes taking place to enable the range to remain open for as long as possible.

- There is now a full complement of green keepers following a recent appointment.
- The path from the 18th tee is to be repaired.
- The damaged practice net (next to the 1st tee) is to be replaced.
- The importance of repairing divots and the correct placement of rakes in bunkers (see instructions on notice board beside front door) have again been emphasised.

There was no attendance at the Men's committee.

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 5 October.
- 4.2 The retained sum from roll-ups was now 8.6% which he considered to be satisfactory.
- 4.3 £50 was still outstanding from the Captain's Charity Day accounts despite the individual debtor being chasing on three occasions.
- 4.4 Summer Eclectic prize money is ready to be disbursed. It will be included in the Order of Merit.
- 4.5 There was surplus per person (approx. £5) on the Bournemouth Tour. This could be paid out individually, but given the inconvenience it was agreed that Chris Perks would seek the permission of the participants to contribute this sum to the captain's charity. **Action: CP**

5. Fixture Secretary's Report

- 5.1 With RI absent there was no formal report, but everything is in order.
- 5.2 The re-arranged home Burford match will be in March 2026. The home Harleyford match also needs to be re-arranged for early next year. **Action JP**

6. Awaydays / Tour Update

- 6.1 See 4.5 above for Bournemouth surplus.
- 6.2 The Spring tour for 2026 was discussed. Four options are being explored with the favourite being a tour on 11 – 13 May. The Cwrt Bledodyn Hotel and Spa would be the base, with rounds at the Monmouthshire, Rolls of Monmouth and Woodlake Park golf courses. Singles would be £375 per person, Twins £315 per person. The Herefordshire golf course was noted as an alternative, probably for Woodlake Park. CP to review and undertake the

organisation. It was noted that it is not necessary to rush this review and that it may be better to sort it out on return from their holiday. **Action: CP**

6.3 Prizes for future tours will be in kind (balls, markers etc.).

7. Proposed roll-up programme for October

7.1 The proposed playing programme for November was agreed.

8. Roll-up & Results Rota

8.1 It was agreed that there would be no provision for contributions to poppy appeal in the roll-up on 11 November. Members have ample opportunity to contribute separately, not least the poppy appeal on the bar.

8.2 The Order of Merit is currently being led by Bob Clarke.

8.3 It was agreed that the bronze tees can be used more in the winter months, as there seemed to be a general dislike of playing off the Cobalt tees.

9. Competitions and Matches

9.1 JP reported that all of the Senior's friendlies had now been completed. The results were: won 10, drew 3 and lost 7. Two home matches had to be abandoned (Burford and Harleyford), and were being re-arranged for early next year. **Action: JP**

Results: September 2025 - matches and roll-ups

September 2025 Friendly Matches

3 September	Harleyford (home)	Abandoned due to weather
11 September	Burford (home)	Abandoned due to weather
18 September	Oxfordshire (away)	Lost 1 – 5
24 September	Tadmarton Heath (away)	Lost 2 – 3
29 September	Lambourne (away)	Lost 2 - 4

September Roll-Ups

There were 6 individual competitions in September, all of which were qualifiers.

4 September – Seniors Stableford – won by
Geoff Gaskins (40pts) Div 1
Gordon McMurdo (41 pts) Div 2

9 September – Seniors Bogey – won by
Clint Green (2 pts) Div 1
Stephen Capaldi (6 pts) Div 2

16 September – Memorial Trophy – won by
Chris Fill (nett 69) Div 1
Jonathan Perks (nett 75) Div 2

25 September – Club Mid-Week Stableford
Roy Fulton (41 pts) Div 1
Ian Fraser (41 pts) Div 2

30 September – Champion of Champions - won by
Richard Hayward (nett 69)

30 September – Seniors Stableford – won by
David Stoolman (36 pts) Div 1
Adrian Dite (37 pts) Div 2

Four team competitions were held.

2 September – Seniors Alliance – won by
Gary Chalmers, Bob Jones, Andy Cassetarri, Paul Fitzgerald (92 pts)

11 September – Greensomes – abandoned due to bad weather

18 September – Seniors Bonus Ball - won by
Bob Jones, Gary Chalmers and Graham Burt (116 pts)

23 September – Seniors Waltz (BSG) – won by
Bob Jones, Andy Cassettari, Rowley Willis, Paul Fitzgerald (89 pts)

10. Knockout and Eclectic Competitions

10.1 The result of the Summer Eclectic was confirmed: the overall winner was Bob Jones with Ken Tuffley winning Div 1.

It was agreed that the rules needed to be clarified and alternative methods of ordering players on the same net scores should be considered (at a future meeting). It was agreed that the Eclectic would count towards the Order of Merit (as per the Seniors' Winter League).

10.2 GP reported that the Singles KO was won by Nick Birt. The Pairs KO final is being held on Tuesday 14th October and the committee wished Paul Smith well in this.

11. M4 Winter League

11.1 SW has had a poor, if unfortunate start in this competition, losing the first three matches. Tim is arranging future fixtures and there are no issues.

12. Any Other Business

- 12.1 The trophy ceremony following the Champion- of-Champions was well received.
- 12.2 The Christmas party will be on 9 December. Graham Reed has agreed to do the entertainment. The format of the day (shotgun start etc) will be the same as for previous years. JP to get prices for the dinner. **Action: JP.**
- Russel will revise the scorecards etc. that were used for Captain's Day for re-use. **Action: RM**
- 12.3 In the absence of JP and GP, Tim will undertake any issues while they are away.

The meeting closed at 15.06 hrs.

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 6 November.

Chris Perks
10 October 2025