



## England Parkinson's Disease Golf Society (EPDGS)

Meeting: Initial AGM

Meeting Type: Zoom

6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

The following minutes form a record of the Initial AGM of the England Parkinson's Golf Society (EPDGS).

### **Attendees**

### **Members**

The following persons were invited to attend this AGM and will be recognized in this and future communications as 'The Members.'

<b>Name</b>	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Attended</b>
Andrew Hobbs	YES	Tony Bruce	
Anthony Carter		Les Derval	
Cathy Sibley-Jones		Malcolm Maisey	
Claire Jones	YES	Mark Holt-Rodgers	YES
Dave Andrews	YES	Ian Giles	YES
Dave Thornton	YES	Nick Beswick	
Frank Gardner	YES	Nick Taylor	
Ian Kennedy	YES	Paul Green	
Mark Smith	YES	Phillipa Humphreys	
Mohammed Farooq		Sue Rossiter	YES
Nichi Marcer		Tom Davis	YES
Charlie Appleyard		Garen Williams	
Clare Baker		Hamish Turnbull	YES
Dave Hooper	YES	Martin Turner	
Graham Watkin	YES	Cathy Neary	YES
John Forrister			



## **Meeting Agenda**

The following is the agenda for this meeting as issued to the Members:

1. Introduction and Purpose of the England Parkinson's Golf Society (EPDGS).
2. Election of Committee Officials. The following positions are initially required as listed in the England Parkinson's Golf Society (EPDGS) Constitution (Issue 1 Nov 2023).
  - a. Chairperson
  - b. Secretary
  - c. Treasurer
  - d. Sport's Parkinson's (SP) Director
  - e. Media Officer
  - f. Captain
3. Subscriptions
4. Acceptance of the Constitution and Proposals to the Constitution
5. Fixtures for 2024
6. Any Other Business
7. Next Meeting

## **Minutes**

**Item 1** - Introduction and Purpose of the England Parkinson's Golf Society (EPDGS).

Ian Giles opened the meeting by welcoming everybody and a register of attendees was taken as recorded in these minutes.

Ian discussed the society and the reasons for its formation before moving onto the purpose for which Andy Hobbs shared the Constitution to the attending members during the meeting.

Dave Andrews brought up the subject of England Golf's Women in Golf Charter which membership recognized and thanked him for. These minutes record the need in the future to understand those requirements.

Claire Jones proposed future amendments to the Constitution regarding non-playing and playing partners to which, the members agreed, and these minutes form a formal record of that requirement.

From this discussion the attending members agreed to the concept and purpose of the society.



**Item 2 – Election of Members to Committee Positions**

Discussion amongst the Members was held to understand the need for a Committee, and the following members were voted to form the first Committee of the England Parkinson's Golf Society (EPDGS) for the duration between 6<sup>th</sup> November through to the final meeting of the Society in 2024 inclusive. Thereafter Committee positions will be elected on an annual basis.

The members recognized that the Committee positions listed below are the minimum required to enable the Society to function as a formal Golf Society in its inaugural year. If further positions are required a formal voting process will be held to recognize the position and its holder.

The following persons were voted into the positions stated:

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Tom Davis	Chairperson	Ian Giles	Dave Hooper	YES

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Mark Smith	Secretary	Ian Giles	Mark Holt-Rodgers	YES

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Andrew Hobbs	Treasurer	Ian Giles	Dave Andrews	YES

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Charlie Appleyard	SP Director	Ian Giles	Tom Davis	YES

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Claire Jones	Media Officer	Ian Giles	Mark Smith	YES

Members Name	Position Applied	Proposer Name	Secunder Name	Agreed
Ian Giles	Captain	Dave Andrews	Claire Jones	YES



**Item 3** – Subscriptions

Members were informed that to operate the Society an annual subscription of £75 will be required from each Member.

In order to allow the Society to financially function and provide a method whereby Members can pay such subscriptions or other required monies and any sponsorship can be paid to the Society.

With the above in mind the Treasurer proposed that a suitable Business Account be made using The Metro Bank. This was seconded by the Secretary (Mark Smith) and carried by the attending members.

Operation of this account will be carried out by the Treasurer who will be the primary signatory. Rules of the account dictate one ~~a two~~ signatures is ~~are~~ required, as such Dave Andrews proposed the Treasurer (Andrew Hobbs) and the Secretary (Mark Smith) which was seconded by Ian Giles (Captain) and carried by the attending members.

*Note – Reference to the number of signatories required was amended post the AGM based on the meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 with The Metro Bank. It was here that it became apparent that dual signatures is not possible with Internet Banking and it was considered that due to geographical differences it would be unworkable to pay everything by cheque and having to be signed by two people.*

**Item 4** - Acceptance of the Constitution and Proposals to the Constitution

The draft version of the Constitution dated November 2023 was discussed with the members and formally accepted by all members who attended.

Apart from recognizing the proposals in Item 1 the attending members agreed the draft version of the Constitution which will be raised to issue 1 before distributing to the members.



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**Item 5** – Fixtures for 2024

Fixtures for 2024 was discussed as follow:

The Irish Open – Ian Giles confirmed the Irish Open is part of the Irish Parkinson's Network and is completely independent to EPDGS as such any members interested in attending will need to contact them direct.

Forest Pines – The proposed 2-day event at Forest Pines has been formally cancelled due to the high cost.

Cotswold's Golf Club – A 2-day event was discussed for April at approximately £100per golfer but it was thought the Sports Parkinson's Open may be at the same venue which if the case, it was considered the society should go elsewhere and alternative venues should be considered.

The fixtures for 2024 is still to be finalized as is the method of qualification for the England 4Naions team and proposals to the members will be made in the near future. With that in mind though members are asked to make venue suggestions.

Regarding organization of the fixtures it was suggested this will be, together with help from the membership, part of the Secretaries role.



**Item 6 – Any Other Business**

Metro Bank – Dave Hooper suggested on-line bank Starling which he had no problems with as Dave Andrews suggested Ulster Bank but with time be of the essence and an appointment already made for the 7<sup>th</sup> November it was felt that the Metro Bank will suffice the Society's needs.

The first EPDGS Chairperson (Tom Davis) thanked everybody for attending, those who have been involved to date and especially Ian Giles for his vision.

**Item 7 – Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting is to be decided but the Members will be informed either by email or the PD Warrior what's app group

**Minutes Authorization**

The signatories below form part of the authorization of these minutes as a true record of the discussions taken place within the Sports Parkinson's Disease Golf Society (EPDGS)

Position	Secretary
Name	MARK SMITH
Signature	<i>MSmith</i>
Date	6/11/2023

Position	TREASURER
Name	ANDREW HOBBS
Signature	<i>AHobbs</i>
Date	6/11/2023