

Minutes of AGM of the CMSG 2022

The A.G.M. was held at the Gymkhana Club on Thursday, 13th January at 11.00 a.m

The meeting was chaired by Chris Ryan (Secretary) in the absence of a President, and all attendees were welcomed. Under the Charter there are no required number of members required to form a quorum and therefore, the AGM was valid and could continue.

1. Minutes from the last A.G.M. January 7th 2021 were to be accepted as a true reflection of the meeting. Proposed by Chris Ryan, seconded by Julian Wing. Agreed – no further business arose from the minutes
2. Four members who passed away during the last year, Roscoe Butler, Mike Pattavina, Guy Lock and Lester Twigden were remembered
3. A Financial Report was given by The Treasurer
4. An update of the Charity finances were given by the Treasurer. One new sponsorship of a Thai Student was paid for in full.
5. Submitted motions

1. Eliminate the Soft and Hard Cap (Section 5.8) from the CMSG handicap system.

(Not passed – the current system was voted to be retained)

2. Train a back-up person to be capable of updating the current Handicap System.

This suggestion was actually, already in place, however Lawrence will not be continuing and the Committee thank him for his support. Donald Otten has kindly offered his help and will be taking up the position going forward.

3. Secure software that will automatically update the handicap system.

Tom Berger and Jack Kuzina offered to undertake further research and arrange a test program for the considered software with the results to be evaluated by the Committee. – Thanks go to Tom and Jack.

4. Committee Minutes of the December 9, 2021. Eliminate the paragraph relative to "Matches involving other golf societies"

This was noted and agreed as per the charter.

5. Establish / Implement the Chiang Mai / Chiang Rai Cup

Eliminate the current Chiang Rai Cup and replace it with the "Chiang Mai / Chiang Rai Cup"

The Chiang Mai / Chiang Rai cup would be a bi-annual event played twice a year (1 in Chiang Mai - 1 in Chiang Rai) comprised of players from both the Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai area.

All players are eligible to win awards of any category (prize money, Trophy's, gifts etc.) The specific rules of each event will be formulated by the Host society. In addition, any current CMSG can volunteer to coordinate the event that is scheduled to be played in Chiang Mai.

The above would encourage participation of players from both the Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai area.

The above tournament would be an exemption to Article VII of the charter where only paid-up CMSG members can participate.

The original Chiang Rai Cup is to stay a closed tournament open only to CMSG members, however a NEW tournament and cup is to be initiated between the CMSG and Chiang Rai golfing group. This will be a twice-yearly tournament played home and away, the dates and details will be confirmed after discussing with the Chiang Rai golfers. This new event will be termed the Chiang Rai / Chiang Mai Challenge to differentiate it from the Chiang Rai Cup.

6. An amendment should be considered that all away games, as well as the annual tournament, would be played on courses that players can hire and ride carts. It's not fair to penalize guys that cannot walk the course.

Noted for away games and it was agreed to include a 5th course option for the Annual Tournament. This will allow members who need the use of a cart to participate in the full 4 games. Results will still be taken from the best 3 of 4 games.

7. Highlands are doing a Sports Day for 1200 baht on Tuesday till end March.

Any interest on putting it on the weekly schedule for 3 months ?

Iain Jensen and Julian Wing agreed to arrange two events per month initially. Subject to interest, this could become a regular event in the CMSG calendar.

6. Election of the new 2022 Committee

There were no nominations for the role of President and so under the terms of the Charter the new Committee may select a President who can act until the next AGM

Chris Ryan was re-elected as Secretary & Treasurer unopposed

Julian Wing was re-elected as Handicapper and Technical Support unopposed

Nigel Stubbs was re-elected as Captain Lanna unopposed

Garry Walker was re-elected as Captain North Hill unopposed

Allan Gariano wished to stand down at Gymkhana, Keith Taylor was nominated and was elected unopposed.

Michael Kuzmich wished to stand down at Maejo. Iain Craig was nominated to take charge of Friday events and was elected unopposed as Friday Captain at Maejo. Michael Kuzmich agreed to still captain Wednesday events, was nominated and re-elected as Maejo Wednesday captain unopposed.

There were no nominations received for Monday events and therefore there is no longer an official CMSG event at Maejo on Mondays

7. Other Business

A vote was taken on whether to reduce the maximum handicaps or leave as they are. There was a majority vote to retain the current maximum

Tom Berger raised the point whether CMSG should revert to the old handicap system. This was voted against and the existing 2020 R&A / USGA World Handicap System is to be retained.

There being no further business the meeting was closed