**Cape Breton Highland’s Golf Club Society  
2024 Annual General Meeting / Minutes**

**February 23, 2024, St John’s Hall**

**Attendees:**

**Chair – Evan Mickey**

**Treasurer – Margaret Tubrett**

**Secretary – Terry Grant**

**Executive – Barry MacDonald, Leonard Whitty, Jane Kennedy, Luke Hardy Robinson &**

**Alex Whitty**

**Regrets – Leo Gene Donovan & Jason Stockley**

**14 general members**

**Opening remarks**

**Evan Mickey**

**The Minutes from the 2023 AGM were reviewed and approved.**

**Motion to approve – Brent Tucker**

**Seconded – Terry Grant**

**Annual Report of Directors by Board Chair Evan Mickey**

**Evan discussed the golf course improvement donations. The rental of equipment for root trimming in 2024 ($10000) & the purchase of bush hog head in 2023 ($14358).**

**Tournament participation was also discussed. The club championship has historically dealt with low participation numbers.**

**Financial Report**

**Presented by M.E. Tubrett.**

**Motion to approve – Jane Kennedy**

**Seconded – Luke Hardy Robinson**

**Summary attached**

**Appointment of Auditor**

**Alison Sams was reappointed.**

**Motion to approve – Dwight Neal**

**Seconded – Jane Kennedy**

**Junior’s Program report provided by Leo Donovan**

**Leo was unable to attend but submitted a summary report which has been attached**

**2024 Tournament report provided by Terry Grant**

**The club invitationals, father’s day, ladies field day, senior invitational & master’s fall scramble were successfully hosted. Tournaments were profitable with full or close to full fields.**

**The Club member tournaments had a varied rate of success. The club opener, club closer, junior/senior, junior club championship & best ball league had good attendance numbers. Many members expressed frustration with the small field size for the club championship. Helen Tubrett & Brent Tucker have co-chaired the championship for the last 2 years & they have increased the field size in each successive year.**

**The match play tournament has struggled to attract golfers, last season only 15 golfers committed to play. We will not play the match play in 2025 & will replace it with the new CA*NADA DAY TOURNAMENT.* This tournament will be played on July 1st, 12:00-2:00, format to be determined.**

**Helen Tubrett proposed developing a weekly stroke play event to encourage club members to play their own ball, become more familiar with the rules & to play a round with different members than their usual foursomes.**

**Tournament summary has been attached.**

**Appointment of Board members for 2025 was approved by motion.**

**Chair - Evan Mickey**

**Vice Chair - Leo Gene Donovan**

**Treasurer - Margaret Tubrett**

**Secretary – Terry Grant**

**Members - Leonard Whitty, Jason Stockley, Barry MacDonald, Alex Whitty, Luke Robinson & Jane Kennedy**

**Motion to approve – Mike Dunphy**

**Seconded – Derrick Hawley**

**Open Forum**

Geese continue to be an ongoing concern and many believe their presence creates a health hazard (i.e. the potential for the spread of Bird Flu.).

**Meeting Adjournment – Bob Hussey**

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**Attached Reports**

**Attachment 1-Financial report**

Cape Breton Highlands Golf Club Society

Statement of Revenue and Expense Period Ending December 31,2024

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| Membership | 21,385.00 |
| Lockers | 1,600.00 |
| Father's Day | 34,450.00 |
| Ladies | 7,170.00 |
| Seniors | 8,830.00 |
| Masters | 20,400.00 |
| Junior program | 8,129.00 |
| Club | 1,040.00 |
| Closing | 440.00 |
| Interest | 4.73 |
| Total Revenue  EXPENSES | 103,968.73 |
| Office/Admin | 431.15 |
| Bank Charges | 383.57 |
| Handicap Cards | 7,417.79 |
| Junior Program | 5,635.07 |
| Fathers Day | 25,866.70 |
| Ladies | 6,076.14 |
| Seniors | 7,482.50 |
| Masters | 13,984.90 |
| Club Opener | 2,444.99 |
| Club Championship | 7,143.41 |
| Club Closing | 3,220.00 |
| Best Bali | 700.00 |
| Jr/Sr | 1,266.12 |
| webpage | 479.50 |
| Donations | 10,000.00 |
| Total Expenses | 92,531.84 |
| NET INCOME  RECONCILIATION | 11 ,436.89 |
| Beginning Balance Bank Dec 31, 2023 | 68,923.55 |
| Begininng Balance Investment Dec 31, 2023 | 47,180.90 |

Total for both accounts

Ending Balance Bank Account December 31, 2024 80,467.28

OS cheques Seagull and CRA remit 111.57

Ending Balance Investment Account December 31 2024 47,185.63

127,541.34 Reconciled

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# Statement Prepared By: Treasurer

Statement Reviewed By: President

Statement Audited By: Auditor

**Attachment 2-Junior report**

**2024 AGM Jr Golf Program Report**



**Date:** Sunday, February 16th, 2025 **Time:** 1:00 pm

# **Place:** St. John's Hall, Ingonish

**1. Junior Program Summary Report for 2024 and Plans for 2025**

We had another successful 2024 year with roughly 40 junior members joining the Junior Golf Program.

We had our same instructor, Connor Phee-Donovan, as our hired Junior Golf Instructor who did a great job for his fourth consecutive year.

We reached an average of 10 students attending each evening at any one session. The 6-week instruction program included using the first tee as a driving range, two tournaments, and the National Skills Junior Golf Challenge - where this year 15 students competed provincially and nationally in the drive-chip-putt competition held at Highland Links on August 4th during 35 degree Celsius heat. Best in putting was Connor Phee-Donovan, best in Chipping was a tie with Charlotte Sweet and Kinlee Burton, and best in Driving was Carter Whitty. Overall top scorer was David Budovitch.

Our Junior-Senior Tournament was very successful this year, with 23 juniors competing with 23 seniors, and our new winners this year went to David and Paul Budovitch.

Our Club Championship had just 16 students participating on a very hot 36 degree August Sunday, where Lachlan Pilling was top male golfer for 13 and over, Arianna Donovan was top female golfer for 13 and over, and Findlay Ward was top male golfer for 12 and under with Molly Barron the top female golfer for 12 and under.

As we head into **year 11** , we will be offering steady golf opportunities again for **4 *days a week*** to the students, and maintaining the slight changes from last year:

1. Re-hiring of our Junior Golf Coordinator, Connor Phee-Donovan, who again is available for hire and did a great job last year. Connor now has five years of experience working with young children on the golf course greens and also with the 6 holes at 5 pm program.

This year we will provide ***more opportunities for evening golf on Mondays***, and ***structured lessons on only Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.***

Leo will continue to mentor closely with the help from the senior golfers and Highland Links staff.

1. The 2 driving nets were out of commission last year, and we would like to get them working again for the Junior Program. The nets will continue to be used this year to help with player development, adding the use of a portable golf launch monitor for feedback results as well.

1. Due to Connor being available for hiring, this will be Leo’s last year as a full-time volunteer Junior Golf Adviser. **Leo plans on reducing the volunteer time to twice a week for 5 weeks for the 2026 season.**

# **2022 Junior Program Financial Plan**

Please see Treasurer Margie Tubrett’s Financial Report for Junior Information.

**Attachment 3 - Tournament report**

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| CLUB TOURNAMENT | DATE | ORGANIZER | 2024 FIELD | TOTAL |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| OPENING TOURNAMENT | May 26 | Cheryl MacDonald | 38 | $1,925 |
| JUNIOR/SENIOR | July 14 | Leo Donovan | 46 | $700 |
| JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP | Aug 11 | Leo Donovan | 16 | $1,000 |
| CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP | Aug 17 & 18 | Helen Tubrett & Brent Tucker | 47 | $5,817 |
| CLOSING TOURNAMENT | Oct 6/Oct 20 | Jason Stockley | 44 (36delay) | $2,160 |
| MATCH PLAY | All summer | AG Sams | 15 | $700 |
| 2 PERSON BEST BALL LEAGUE | July & Aug | Terry Grant | 28 | $750 |
|  |  |  |  | $13,052 |

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| INVITATIONALS | DATE | ORGANIZER | FIELD | PROFIT |
| FATHER'S DAY - LLOYD DONOVAN MEM | JUNE 15-16 | EVAN, LUKE, JASON | 212 | $8,583 |
| LADIES FIELD DAY |  | MARG TUBRETT | 68 | $1,094 |
| SENIOR INVITATIONAL | SEPT 10 | T GRANT & B MACDONALD | 112 | $1,348 |
| MASTER'S FALL SCRAMBLE | SEPT 28-29 | T GRANT & B MACDONALD | 124 | $6,415 |