Management Committee

Present:

Mr. Ivan Pui Kien Nyap Mr. Agan Maran Mr. Michael Tang Tung Seng Mr. Ling Kie Ing Mr. Pang Kin Siong Mr. Victor Lee Yau Ming Cr. Haji Alias Mail Mr. Andrew Victor Nub Mr. Jeremy Ting Seaa Ming Haji Han Bin Hj Hipeni

Captain Hon. Secretary Hon. Treasurer Hon. House Member Hon. Course & Greens Member Hon. Competition Secretary Hon. Handicap Secretary Committee Member I Committee Member II Committee Member III

Life and Full Members Present:

216 (Including the Management Committee)

#### Introduction

The Captain welcome and thanks all those who has made an efforts to attend the AGM and announced at 9.30am that the required quorum of one hundred members has reached, in accordance with Article 22 (4) of the Club Constitution. Hence, the meeting was called to order at 9.30am.

#### 1.0 Chairman's address

The Club Captain informed the floor that the President send his apology for being unable to attend this year AGM as he is still away Overseas. In the absence of the President the Club Captain shall preside over the Annual general Meeting today.

There were no contest in the Management Committee's post this year.

Last year's financial report showed a surplus which mainly derived from Green Fees, Buggy Fees and Transfer Fees.

He congratulated Mdm Marilyn Raja and Hj Han Hj Hipeni for being elected as the Ladies captains and Men Senior Section Captain.

He conveyed special thanks to:

1. All the long-term regular sponsors of the Club.

2. The two printers, Mr. Chieng Yew Kiong and Mr Liew Yu Shan for confirming to sponsor this year's score card.

The club signed a new reciprocal club with Labuan International Golf Club (LIGC). He is planning to start an inter-club with LIGC but this has not yet materialized.

He received comments from golfers from other states in Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei who complimented that KGM's golf course's playability even during the monsoon and rainy season. This was unlike during the past years, the fairways can became very soggy and muddy. In this context, he thanked and appreciated the hard work of the Hon. Course & Greens member, Mr. Pang Kin Siong for improving the drainage system.

Due to shortage of caddies, a new ruling was implemented for competition, i.e. one caddy would drive the buggy with 3 golfer's golf bags on it. (Golfers are not allowed to ride on the buggy).

Recently there was one casualty case at Saujana Golf & Country Club whereby one golfer who was taking shelter under a rest shed was hit by a tree that fell on him. For KGM even though most of the trees were trimmed and dead branches removed, he advised golfers to be watchful to look above whenever they approached any tree before taking their shots. On the other hand where illness cannot be avoided, he advised golfers not to continue play when they feel unfit to carry on. Or if they are not well even before the game begins, they are advised to obtain permission from the latter to use a buggy for that round. This will be granted on a case to case basis.

Last year's Rules Class were conducted with 99% passing rate. Golfers coming back from overseas need not undergo the Rules class. Their handicap held at other clubs are to be submitted for reinstatement.

We have a long list of defaulters. With much effort put in by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Michael Tang who persistently knocked on the doors of many members, he managed to convince them to transfer their membership and offset the proceeds against their outstanding dues. These summed up to 15 members who were then replaced with 15 active golfers.

To stimulate more participation in the Club's competition, he has come out with a point system. The highest point achiever will be entitled to travel overseas with all fees and expenses paid for. In 2015, we have 3 ladies and in 2016, we have 1 lady and 2 men.

#### 2.0 Confirmation of minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

The Captain went through the Minutes of the AGM page by page and encouraged members to comment as and when necessary.

#### Mr. Wilson Kueh (9030)

Pointed out to a typo error on the Minutes of the AGM Section E (1), "River erosion at Hole 16". This should read "Hole 14" as there is no river at Hole 16.

#### **Reply from the Captain**

Minutes of AGM Section E (1) shall be amended to read as "Hole 14".

The Captain informed that the Ladies has decided and implemented since year 2015 to exclude the juniors from participating in the annual ladies Stroke Play and Match play Club Championship.

Section E(1) of the the minutes of the AGM is amended to read as: "1. River erosion at Hole 14". There was no other comments from the floor and as such, the minutes of the AGM was confirmed Proposed by: Othman Ahmat (6517) Seconded by: Peter Gon (6668)

#### 3.0 To receive the Captain's Annual Report on the Affairs of the Club for 2015

The Captain led the meeting by going through his report as printed in the AGM Report Book. The detailed report as mentioned is stated below.

#### CAPTAIN REPORT 2015 CLUB'S OVERVIEW AND STRATEGY

How time flies! This is my second year in captainship. it is again time for me to give an account on the affairs of the club.

I believe everyone of us is experiencing the same sentiment as myself in as far as global economy slowdown is concerned. Being the captain of the club, it is certainly an awesome responsibility to keep my eyes wide open with the unexpected drastic drop in oil price globally for two reasons. The club has since its inception depended a lot on the oil industry and secondly we have many members working in the oil industry. Thoughts of how the economy slowdown could inadvertently affect the club and taking appropriate steps to cushion this off the club is on an alert mode. My committees used to remind each other again and again with these phrase 'watch out on what we should spent' and 'money that goes out is hard to recover'. GST has been the talk everywhere but I am not very much concern about it after having being enlighten by the Royal Malaysian Customs Department with the many seminars held and broadcast through the media. Expenditures Figures of 2014 and 2015's income and expenditure reports projected a slight increase in its spending. This variance is not due to GST but more spending on golf course maintenance.

Having recall my vision for the club, and at the same time looking back at our targets set for which we envisioned;

1. a higher income versus a low spending

2. to widen avenue to club's income.

The rental of buggies has boost the club's income and among all, it is ranked the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest. The situation of 'no buggy no play' speaks quite loudly in terms of figure. The income derived from green fees has gone up concurrently with the buggy's income.

3. tackling long-outstanding debtors

The efforts to bring down the outstanding dues by members was a tedious job. I can only say this is the effort of a single committee member who is none other than the Hon. Treasurer. Figures in total could not tell exactly the position of member's outstanding dues

as the amount in total is there about the same as last year. Last year, we managed to recover a sum of RM64.7k from more than 15 long-outstanding debtors by pursuing them to pay up to date and by way of seeking agreement from them to have their memberships transfer to interested parties. This motion of transfer of membership has indirectly broaden our income to bring in an increase in income from transfer fee of RM42k and as well as conversion fees of RM9k. It is hope that through the change of ownerships, the inflow of cash could be improved through times that would bring down the member's outstanding dues.

Aside all that was mentioned above, the management committee was caught off handed in a very embarrassed situation and this went on for three weeks. Our Caterer left us without prior notice on the eve of the Sarawak Inter-club. As a result, guests from outstation who arrived for practice round were unable to eat at the clubhouse that morning. There was no food served at the clubhouse for a period of three weeks. Except for competition days, special arrangements was made to bring in food/caterer from outside. Here I would like to sincerely apologize to all the members for the inconvenience caused. I would like to thank you all members for your high level of tolerance and understanding during this hard time.

Another unpleasant incident which I would like to mention here is the case of a fatality incident which happened during one sponsored golf tournament. The casualty collapsed face down. Immediate help was sought. Dr Roland Mattu and Dr. Charles Jolly proceeded to the location to render medical assistance. Ambulance was immediately called to bring the casualty to General Hospital. He was pronounced dead at the General Hospital due to suspected heart attack. The management committee extend their deepest sympathy to the family of the casualty.

Going forward as we position for 2016, we will maintain all that we have already attained. Additionally, with the surplus funds earned, we aimed to upgrade the golf course by investing in more capital investments. It is our goal that through these investments, we will yield much higher rate of return from a quality golf course thereby increasing the worth of each membership and attracting more golfers to play golf at our club. The building plan which you saw on the notice board will be one of the proposed capital needs. The estimate cost of the said project is RM800k. Besides this, we proposed to buy 10 more units buggies, a vacuum sweeper, a fertilizer spreader, a set of brush reels, a set of scarifiers and its cassettes. This totalled up to a sum of RM448.2k.

#### **CLUB ADMINISTRATION**

1. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Agan Maran took care of all staff administration and overseeing the day to day affairs of the Club. In my opinion, he has done a fantastic job, as being the club secretary is never easy. There were a few tough cases involving the staff and with his expertise, he had managed to tackle these matters and have the problem solved and most importantly, the level of the workers upgraded and this can be seen practically with the improved quality of the golf course.

- 2. The Management Committee had twelve Management Meetings for the year 2015 and other numerous sub-committee meetings and even discussions after their game of golf in the evening.
- 3. The staff too had their meetings as well to discuss on ways to improve their working condition and or environment in spite of facing manpower shortages, enhancing teamwork spirit and on top of all these, how best to serve our members. Recruitment of new staff is an ongoing process. It is with much disappointment that there were many candidates applying for the job, we have at one point filled up all the vacant posts but we were unable to retain them due to various problems faced.
- 4. The implementation of GST was a smooth process for the club as our current club system has been upgraded to accommodate the GST requirement.
- 5. For the year 2015, we have approved 52 new members, 10 Term Members and 49 members resigned by way of their memberships being transferred. The total number of members as at 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 is 909.
- 6. New Members' Night were organized on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2015 to welcome the new members.
- 7. A Disciplinary Committee was appointed and it comprised of the chairman Tuan Haji Han and 3 other members of the sub-committee, Mr. Tony Ham, Mr. Reginald Kevin Akeu and Mr. Andrew Victor Nub.
- 8. A Safety & Kitchen Hygiene Committee was appointed and it comprised of the chairman Mr. Peter Gon and 2 other members of the sub-committee, Mr. Ling Kie Ing and Ms Helen Lai.
- 9. The self-regulated 2:20 pace of play system (2hours 20 minutes) allocated for every 9 holes was implemented with the Club By-Law governing the game of golf being amended accordingly.
- 10. The golf course was rated and a new course and slope rating certificate was issued by Malaysian Golf Association with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2015

#### FINANCIAL

1. We have a separate report written by our Treasurer, Mr. Michael Tang. We have a surplus of RM287K, which is slightly more than last year. I am proud to say that we have managed well, despite after spending quite a hefty sum of money on maintenance and upgrading of the clubhouse, its facilities and the golf course. A lot of cost savings came about because of a responsible and committed Management Committee who are experts in different fields working hand in hand to get Club's work done without assigning its repair works to a contractor. There were many

instances whereby there were fierce arguements and debates over club's purchases and repair issues just to justify the most economical approach is adopted, all in the best interest of the club. As the Captain, I have to stand in between them to manage a unified team. Thank you to All.

3. One of the MC's greatest challenges where finances is concerned is dealing with members who default in paying their outstanding dues. We have so far managed to eradicate 17 long-outstanding debtors. We have written off a sum of RM4,434.20 to bad debts account. We need continuous effort from the new committee to aggressively go after the remaining long-outstanding debtors. Our policy is to minimize loss as much as possible.

#### CLUBHOUSE

Most of the major repair and maintenance works on clubhouse were completed in 2014. This year more effort was concentrated on improving club's facilities.

- 1. Function Hall An additional 2 units 5HP air-conditioners were installed to serve two purposes (1) to be on standby in case the existing air-conditioners broke down. (2) to ensure that the place is cool enough during extreme hot weather.
- 2. Underground cable installation and caddy car park's spot lights and spot lights at Hole No. 9. For safety reasons, 3 nos spot lights were installed at the caddy shed car park. And 2 units spot lights at Hole No 9 to enable evening golfers finished their game before the sky gets dark.
- 3. 2 units of dryer were purchased; 1 unit for replacement and 1 additional unit to meet the current needs of members.
- 4. 1 unit water filter with hot and cold water available as added benefit to members.
- 5. Wi-fi for member's use.
- 6. 1 unit air compressor at security guard house. The old unit was moved to the workshop for general repair and maintenance's use.
- 7. 2 units walkie talkie was purchased to replace the worn out ones.
- 8. 3 units park bench steel chairs were purchased and placed at the side of the putting greens for golfers to enjoy the evening breeze and view.
- 9. Buggy shed This was extended at RM13,500 for temporary use to house up to 30 units buggies. We have budgeted a sum of RM800k for the construction of a proper storage for buggies, machines and staff quarters.
- 10. 1 unit 2HP air-condiitoner was installed at the club's office to replace the broken unit.
- 11. 1 unit 5 litres water heater was installed to replace the broken unit behind the men's restroom.
- 12. The CCTV installed around the Clubhouse had been our 'watchman' this year. It had greatly assisted the committee and members to make sound decision when there were two cases involving members, (1) the case of score submission and (2) the case of a member's wallet which initially fell from his pocket on to the terrace bar floor but soon it was picked up by a worker.

With this, we shall be extending the cctv coverage to be installed at the club's car park and first floor function hall. A proposed budget of RM26k is set for this project.

13. Caterer – The contract for Terrace Bar was open for tender. There was no bidder for the said contract. The Committee therefore went for negotiation with New Wok who agreed to take up the said tender. A binding contract was signed on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2015 for a period of two years with an option to renew for a further period of one year.

The catering contract at the Front nine was renewed for another one year. The catering at the Back Nine was awarded to Ms Seniah Zaini for a period of one year.

14. Kitchen renovation – the kitchen was closed for three weeks for major renovation. A total sum of RM19,650 from the clubhouse maintenance was spent on the repair of the exhaust fan silencer, replacement of worn out cold room handle and light, industrial ground floor and first floor kitchen and sewage cleaning, rewiring of electrical cables, socket, constructing a concrete kitchen waste drain to the sewage, major repair to broken water pipes and leaking sink. The ground floor terrace bar wooden cabinet was fully infested with termite and is beyond repair. A custom-made walled cabinet was replaced and installed at RM5k.

#### COURSE MAINTENANCE

- 1. Maintaining and upgrading of the golf course is our main focus. More attention is concentrated on the beautification of the golf course in particular the flowers around the tee boxes and quality of the greens last year. More workers are being engaged to do weeding and flowers planting. It is our aim to improve the quality of the course as a whole, in particular, the tee boxes and not just the greens alone.
- 2. Currently, we have 2 units fairway mower. The new unit arrived in October 2015. With two machines running simultaneously, more areas are mown and the frequency of cut is increased. With that, we can see a more beautiful fairway.
- 3. The MC's main concerns on the golf course are:

- Trees' surface roots. Tree's surface roots can be a problem both to the golfers and damage to the course machines. The MC has been cracking their minds seeking solutions to tackle this problem. They have made several experiments trying to solve this problem, but so far, they have not come to a permanent solution yet.

- Leaves and debris on the course is one of the concerns of the committee as this delayed the game of golf in having to look for lost balls. The committee has proposed the purchase of a vacuum / sweeper to solve this problem.

- Water shortage for watering the greens. The strategy plan to widening of the pond at Hole 5 for water conservation is in discussion. Based on past year's record, there is always a time of severe drought yearly. The MC has been talking about this one year ago. They are endeavouring to water not just on the greens but on the tee boxes as well.

- Matured and very tall trees.

A budget is proposed for thorough tree trimming to be carried out. Over grown trees and very tall trees which pose danger will be trimmed.

- 4. Stinky pond. This problem comes and go. We have allocate in our course maintenance a budget to install a pond water aeration system.
- 5. The problem of river erosion at hole 14 has not been solved. The MC is still putting hope on getting assistance from the Sarawak Government to construct the retaining wall.
- 6. Club Mechanic. I put this topic under golf course maintenance because this is the department which requires a mechanic most. Looking for a responsible and qualified mechanic to look after the machines in the workshop is a challenging task. While we are still unable to find one suitable candidate, the club' machines continued to be maintained by the Course & Greens Member and myself.

#### COMPETITIONS

Competitions held in 2015 are:-

 Two SGA Sanctioned tournaments were held in Miri last year.
The Sarawak Inter-Club Golf Challenge Trophy (YBhg Dtk Patinggi Tan Sri Dr. Wong Soon Kai Trophy) held on 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2015. KGS Team emerged as the Champion with a gross score of 1,642. KGM Team came 2<sup>nd</sup> with a gross score of 1,668.

- The 27<sup>th</sup> KGM Amateur Open Golf Championship (YBhg Dtk Patinggi Tan Sri Dr. George Chan Hong Nam and YBhg Dtn Patinggi Puan Sri Datuk Lorna Enan Muloon Chan Trophies held from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2015. Mr. Lee Ka Tung of Sibu Golf Club emerged as the men champion with a gross score of 220 while Ms Alethea Cordelia of Kelab Golf Miri won the ladies gross champion with a gross score of 235. Besides these two great achievements, we would also like to put on record an outstanding achievement by Mr. Thomas Tang who strikes a hole in one on the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the championship. In return for his achievement, he was rewarded two units of luxurious cars and one set of Fourteen Iron. The sponsors of the two cars; a Honda Jazz was given by myself while the Toyota Camry was given by the Patron of the Men's Championship Trophy, YBhg Dtk Patinggi Tan Sri Dr. George Chan Hong Nam.

The Organising Chairman for these two events are Mr. Michael Tang (Sarawak Inter Club Challenge Trophy) and myself (27<sup>th</sup> KGM Amateur Open Golf Championship 2015). Thank you, Michael.

2. Throughout the year, the golfing calendar was packed with club, sponsored and interclub competitions.

- The Stroke-play Club Championship was held on 8<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> March 2015. The trophy was won by Mr. Lee Kah Ching.

- The Match-play Club Championship was held on 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2015. The trophy was won by Mr. Lim Beng Keat.

- Champion of Champions was held on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2015. The Champion was won by Mr. Calvin Kong.

- Inter Clubs golf games, were Miri-Bintulu (15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 held at Kelab Golf Bintulu) – KGB Team won, and Panaga-Miri (13<sup>th</sup> June 2015 held at Kelab Golf Miri) – KGM Team won.
- 4. Various other sponsored competitions were held in 2015 of which some were held annually for many years here in KGM. Our sincere thanks go to all our sponsors without whom KGM would not be able to host all these events successfully.

0	1 <sup>st</sup> Remang Junior Golf Championship	18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> March
0	May Day Golf	1 <sup>st</sup> May
0	Taylormade Golf Tournament	21 <sup>st</sup> November
0	Japanese Association Golf Competition	14 <sup>th</sup> November
0	Shell Golf 2015	28 <sup>th</sup> November
0	Captain Trophy	28 <sup>th</sup> March
	• The hole-in-one prize of a Honda Jazz car and the prize presentation dim	

- The hole-in-one prize of a Honda Jazz car and the prize presentation dinner at Dynasty Hotel was sponsored by myself. Unfortunately no one got a hole-inone).
- 5. .Monthly Medal Reward 2014-2015 This reward was sponsored by myself to the top three highest points of the monthly medal golf competition accumulated from June 2014 to March 2015 Ms Gemma Thomas, Ms Wong Leh Ting and Ms Teo Ai Hung. Only Ms Teo Ai Hung went for the golfing trip to Hanzhou China.

Another Bonus Reward is on offer to the top Monthly Medal highest point achievers. This time the golfing trip will be going to Kunming, China.

6. New prize structure is implemented this year:

- a separate section is created for the junior in the monthly medal golf competition. The junior competition fee is RM10.60.

- a new prize structure is implemented for all festive golf special competitions as follows:

Men Section A (Hcp 0-12), B (Hcp 13-20) and C (Hcp 21-36), Ladies and Junior Sections.

#### HANDICAP

- 1. The USGA Handicap System has updated its system. USGA handicap manual 2016-2019 will be used as from 2016 onwards.
- 2. Posting of penalty score would be imposed on anyone golfer who failed to submit more than two rounds of golf play whether 9 or 18 holes effective 1.1.2016.

#### CADDIES

- 1. The use of buggies has helped tremendously to overcome the shortage of caddies. In fact nowadays, during the weekdays, we have an oversupply of caddies. Caddies supply during the weekend is fairly sufficient, and occasionally, there is shortage during competition. The committee has overcame this shortages by implementing buggies as transporter to carry golfer's bags. As such, the caddies shall be engaged as drivers to serve two or more golfers during the competition.
- 2. 2 caddies-staff-members golf competition cum bbq night were organised on 25<sup>th</sup> July and 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2015. Thank you Committee III Hj Azahari for sponsoring all the golf prizes and Senior Division Captain, Hj Han for the sponsorship of the PA System as well as other administrative costs.

#### RULES

4 Rules' Classes were conducted with his comprehensive teaching by myself on19th June, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 25<sup>th</sup> September and 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

This is a requirement for new golfer to be equipped with the basic rules of golf, etiquette and safety on the golf course.

#### SWIMMING POOL AND BILLIARD TABLE

The swimming pool is basically an extra facility provided to members and family members of the Club.

Our records for the year showed little or no use of the billiard table by members. In view of this, the committee has proposed a resolution for the billiard table to be disposed off at a reasonable price by way of advertisement on club's notice board, website and facebook.

#### LADIES SECTION

The Ladies' Section has had another very successful and eventful year in 2015 and our Ladies Tuesday games continued to be very well supported, with many sponsors of which we would like to acknowledge:

- Prizes and Food Sponsors: Lynda Bala (Feb 3); Puan Sri Tiong Pick Ling (Mar 3); Susan Yee (Mar 10); Lina Ding & Gemma Thomas (Jun 27); Flora Rabar (Sep 22); GN Chia & Lynda Bala (Oct 6); Patricia Lipang & Delima Ibrahim (October 20); Marilyn Raja (Dec 3).
- Lunch & Dinner Sponsors: Cindy Liaw (Feb 3); Liew Shiew Ling (Mar 24); Lynda Bala (Apr 7); Helen Lai (Apr 21); Helene Ayu (Jun 9); Eni Paran (19 Dec); Patricia Lipang (29 Dec).
- 3. Congratulations to Helene Ayu who won the Ladies Club Strokeplay Championship 2015, her maiden win. And to Mary Lim who won the Ladies Matchplay Championship, with a few wins under her belt already! Our 2015 Medalist of Medalists Winners were: 1st Ms Sharifah Aiysyah Tijan; 2nd Candy Sim; 3rd Teo Ai

Hung. Wong Leh Ting was our Lady Captain's Challenge Trophy 2015 Champion. Congratulations!

- 4. Our Panaga-KGM Ladies Interclub was held at KGM this year and our Ladies have won the Challenge Trophy again for the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive year! (2005-2015)
- 5. A first-ever golf and social was also held between our Senior and Ladies on 26 May 2015. The Seniors won on all fronts.

#### JUNIOR

The year 2015 has indeed been a very successful year for us in the junior program. We are very proud to have hosted two major tournaments in the year 2015 itself. Among the major tournaments are the 1st Remang Junior Golf Championship Trophy during the month of March and the KGM Junior Amateur Open Golf Championship during the first week of December. The KGMJDP has successfully attracted an average of 70 juniors of all ages and throughout the state and even from our neighbouring country Brunei Darrusalam.

In addition, our juniors have also been successfully shortlisted to be in the SUKMA shadow team for the SUKMA game that would be hosted in Kuching, Sarawak in July 2016. These juniors are Lim Beng Keat, Eliza Mae Kho and Alethea Cordelia. Following in the shadow of our veteran junior golfer Dianne Luke, Kimberly Nelson has also successfully obtained a golf scholarship to study in United States in Grand View University.

We would like to wish all these juniors the best of luck.

#### SENIOR SECTION

- The Senior Section had 5 Bi-Medal competitions held on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 20<sup>th</sup> June, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2015. As many as 60 senior golfers participated. This year, we saw an increase in the number of active senior golfers who have attained the age of 55 years old.
- 2. Seniors will play of from white tee during the senior bi-medals. Buggies are allowed.
- 3. The Senior Champion of Champions 2015 was postponed and rescheduled to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

#### GREENCHAT

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year for Mr. Jeremy Ting who kindly consented to accept the appointment. As a way forward, the Committee is exploring the possibility of a digital greenchat whereby the club will no longer print greenchat in hardcopies. Planning and getting ourselves ready for this is underway.

#### SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION

At the Annual Dinner held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2015, RM20,000 was withdrawn from the Charity Funds Account and the sum was donated to MRCS Miri Chapter, MRCS Sunflower Centre, MRCS Dialysis Centre, Palliative Care Association of Miri, The National Autism Society of Malaysia, Persatuan Autistik Miri, Persatuan Ibu Tunggal Cawangan Miri and Pibakis Miri at RM2,500.00 each.

#### SPONSORS AND MEMBERS

On behalf of the Club, all the Golfers and the Management Committee, I would like to say 'Thank you so very much" to all the sponsors for your generous sponsorship and your extremely generous contributions without both in cash and in kind, without which we could not be able to have so many sponsored competitions and successful big tournaments.

\* DATUK PATINGGI TAN SRI DR. GEORGE CHAN HONG NAM \* SGA PRESIDENT MR. HOAN KEE HOCK \* KGM CLUB CAPTAIN MR IVAN PUI \* DAYANG ENTERPRISE SDN. BHD., DATUK JAMES LING SUK KIONG \* MR. BILLY USIT \* MDM. MARILYN RAJA WRIGHT \* MDM. ANGELINA BENJAMIN & MR. TERRY DOUGLAS MOHR \* TRANSVIEW GOLF SDN. BHD. \* L T SPORTS EQUIPMENT \* PUAN SRI DATIN TIONG PICK LING \* MDM. THERESA WONG & MR. WILSON JONG KHIM KIT \* DATUK PUI KIAN ONN \* DATO ALEXANDER MAIYOR \* MR. LEE FUI NAM \* MR. LIM POH MENG \* MR. CHIENG YEW KIONG \* MR. LIEW YU SHAN \* DATO' SRI LAU HIENG SU \* MR. BERNARD CHAN \* MDM. LYNDA BALA \* MR. LING KIE ING \* MDM. FIONA LIUNG PADAN \* MDM. LINA LIBAU \* MDM. ENI PARAN \* MR. MOSES TING \* MR. KUAN SHANG MI \* MR. FABIAN LAU KIING NGIENG \* MR. VOON PIN KUAN \* MR. LING LEH KEE \* CR. DR. PHILLIP RAJA\* MR. WONG TECK CHEW \* MR. CHIA MEE FATT \* MR. TIE SIONG HUI\* DATABAYU ENTERPRISE SDN. BHD. \* MEGA SAFE BOX SDN. BHD. \* JX NIPPON OIL & GAS EXPLORATION (M) LIMITED \* MR. WONG YACK CHONG \*MR. OTHMAN MARAHABAN\* MR. YONG FOO LIAN \* MR. LING CHU LEONG \* MR. WONG TIONG HEE

Your support was simply fantastic.

To all the members, in particular the golfing members, please again accept my sincere and heartfelt thanks for your feedback, comments, cooperation participating, understanding and strong support given to me and the Management Committee.

#### PRO SHOP

The Committee has extended the contract of LT Sports for one year. We are proud to have LT Sports as our proshop operator, known to be one of the golf suppliers with the most variety of golf items sold in Sarawak. However, with the current location which could no longer be expanded, the shop has become a less conducive place for members to patronize

due to space constraint. The Committee is trying to find another suitable spot around the clubhouse for relocation of the proshop.

#### CONCLUSION

Last but not the least, on behalf of the Club and the members, I would like to say "thank you to the Management Committee Members, various sub-committee and our KGM Staff for their one year of time, sacrifices, dedication, commitment, team work and hard work. Thank you again.

The Captain's Report is confirmed. Proposed by: Esaw Mikir (9271) Seconded by: Reginald Kevin Akeu (9021)

# 4.0 To receive and approve the Balance Sheet and Statement of Account for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 and to approve the Budget for 2016 by majority vote. Financial overview

The Hon. Treasurer congratulated and thanked the Captain for a job well done. He informed everyone that he had served as Committee in this Club for 11 years. He commented that under Captain Ivan, the Club has improved tremendously. He had spent a lot of time and money to improve the golf course.

He thanked all the current committee for their contributions and their services rendered to making the Club a better place.

He pledged to serve another year as Hon. Treasurer with the aim to improve the golf club and to establish a stable financial ground so that it will not need to go through financial problem in years to come. Currently the club is in a healthy financial state .

Despite so, the club has to face a lot of challenges:

- With a population of over 900 members, only over 200 are active but everyone pays the same amount of monthly subscription. In the event that the monthly subscription is increased, the club will face membership depletion and this will come from the 2/3 of the non-active members.
- There are plenty of suggestions from members to improve the club's facilities and these are all deemed necessary.
- The committee needs to be prudent in its spending. Spending in this case need to be prioritized. The committee has opted to invest in 10 units buggies this year because buggy to the club is like 'bread and butter'. It is significant in generating profit for the club. Apart from the monthly subscription which is the main source of income, buggy revenue is the club's next reliable income. Golfers who are walking and users of buggy on the golf course are urged to tolerate with one another.

He reported that the current year yielded a surplus of RM287k vs RM263k in 2014.

The 2015 Capital Expenditure stood at RM450k. This huge sum of money came from the surplus of income accumulated over the last 3 years. The club account has improved significantly. Whatever needs to be done will be carried out accordingly. The club aimed to go from two stars to three stars and this target can be achieved with the new machineries

already purchased without loan. From here the club would strive to go up to four stars with the current budget proposed. A vacuum sweeper has been budgeted to be purchased next year.

At this point, he welcomed members to come forward with good and positive suggestions for furtherance of the Club.

The total outstanding owed by members had come down from RM480k in 2014 to RM420k in 2015. For some critical cases, he had to go their house to talk to them. There were quite a number of members with outstanding above RM3k who could not be contacted. Their names are displayed at the club's notice board. He sought member's cooperation and assistance to update him if they knew their whereabouts so that he could contact them to follow up for payment.

The club has about RM3 million in the bank account. Out of which RM830k are members' deposits.

The Hon. Treasurer explained to the members from the financial point of view concerning the post of a club manager.

He explained that without a manager, the club committee and the office administrator would have to work harder to keep the club going. The club has been without a manager for 4 years now. In terms of cost and using the last drawn salary of the ex-GM as the basis for calculation, the club has saved RM400k. This is quite a significant sum of money to the club.

As for the post of a mechanic, the following committee members; the Captain, the Hon. House Member and Hon. Course & Greens Member had been employing their own mechanic to carry out the repair works in the workshop. With this practice, they managed to save quite a substantial sum of money. (An experience mechanic's average salary is RM5k per month.)

The Hon. Treasurer then open this time to the floor to comment and query pertaining to his explanation and clarification on how the committee run the club.

#### Delima Ibrahim (845U-01)

Enquired on the time frame allowed for members to settle their debts.

#### **Reply from the Hon. Treasurer**

This was discussed in the Management Committee Meeting with two options proposed;

(1) The committee is looking at subscribing to CTOS who is a registered body authorized to collect debts from individuals and companies. The committee will set a maximum amount for this, for e.g. RM3k is the maximum owing limit. Members with outstanding above RM3k will be referred to CTOS. Once his/her name is registered in CTOS, he needs to clear his debts or he will be barred from all other financial institutions in the country.

(2) He sought the advice of the legal advisor to amend the club constitution to enable the club to redeem the membership of these members once their outstanding dues has reached its maximum limit.

# 4.1 To receive and approve the Balance Sheet and Statement of Account for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 by majority vote

The Balance Sheet, Cash Flows Statement and Income and Expenditure account are presented in the AGM Report Book.

The Hon. Treasurer then open this time to the floor to comment and query concerning the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015.

There were no comments from the floor.

He then proceeded to present the Proposed Income and Expenditure Budget for 20164.2 To receive and approve the Budget for 2016 by majority vote.

The budget for 2015 was a deficit of RM416k while the actual was a surplus of RM287k. This showed that the committee is prudently managing the account.

The detailed budget expenditure is presented in the AGM Report Book. He went through the said budget item by item.

He highlight one proposed item 'depreciation'. The budget for depreciation is RM250k is a substantial sum. In case there are some who do not know what it is, he explained that this is not money to be spent but it is an allocation of the cost of capital asset over its useful life.

The pond at Hole 5 was dug beginning this year to store sufficient water to meet the needs of the golf course during dry season.

#### Dr. Subramaniam (6020)

With the slow economy, the soliciting of funds for competition will be affected. He enquired on the committee how they plan to manage to keep the club competitions going.

Reply from the Hon. Treasurer

- As announced during the last monthly medal competition, the committee is going to introduce the monthly ballsweep competition.
- In addressing the issues of sponsors, he thanked the Captain for raising all the funds required to run the KGM Open 2015, altogether over RM100k.
- For this year's KGM Open, the committee would have to trim down its spending or the Captain would have to work very hard to maintain the tournament's standard.

#### Reginald Kevin Akeu (9021)

Pointed out on one item 'miscellaneous entertainment & souvenir'. He suggested to present the account in a more comprehensive detail so that it can be easily understood. For

example, AGM Makan Kecil and the Captain's Report. When the Captain's Report is read, one would be able to tell what it is all about.

Reply from the Hon. Treasurer

- He will reclassify the accounts sub-heading for easy understanding.
- The dinner tonight is subsidized by the club. Previously members have to buy their tickets. Additionally, the Captain and the President sponsored very good lucky draws for the member's annual dinner.

#### **Capital Expenditure Budget**

The Hon. Treasurer present the actual capital expenditure incurred in 2015 and the proposed capital expenditure item by item.

He then open this time to the floor to comment and query.

#### Tommy Raymond Jok (9022)

Proposed to retile the men's shower room

#### Opinions/comments from the floor and replies from the Committee on the Proposed Buggy Storage, Workshop and Quarters

#### Moses Ting (8783)

It is not advisable to have labour quarters on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the buggy storage, reasons being;

- There will be a lot of illegal squatters by then. This can be seen at Hole 5 now. Illegal squatters were erected near to the workshop. Electrical wirings were installed and the club has to pay for them.
- Assuming the labour quarters is built on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, it will not be just the workers who will stay there but outsiders will move in too. The club will not be able to stop this.
- Cooking will be done on 1<sup>st</sup> floor. In the event of fire, all the machineries and buggies will be burnt.

With this in mind, he advised the committee to take all these points into consideration.

Reply from the Hon. Treasurer

- The squatters at Hole 5 are in fact the course workers. The workers had no transport to come down to work early in the morning. Besides this, the club has been ferrying many of them from their respective kampong to work.
- The proposed labour quarters at 1<sup>st</sup> floor has only one room. The workshop will be fenced giving no room for outsider to build illegal squatters.
- The building will be insured with fire insurance. In the event of fire, the club could claim losses from the insurance company. The committee foresee that there will be risk involved. However, besides the safety measures, the unsightly look of workers living near to the clubhouse is also the committee's concern. They viewed that all these issues are manageable.

#### Wee Yam Khoon (8924)

The difference between the cost of a single storey and a double storey building is about 50%. We should look at cost effectiveness rather than the quarters for the workers. It is common understanding that workers working in any companies ought to possess their own transport to work. It will be better to give them a transport allowance in this case.

#### **Reply from the Hon. Treasurer**

The proposed building is designed with 4 units rooms for 4 workers. There are pros and cons to providing accommodation to the workers. Fire risk is one of the factors we need to take precaution. On the other hand, it will be easier to recruit workers when accommodation is readily available.

Currently, some of the workers staying at Kampung Api are paying RM200 rental per month. A monthly nett wages of RM1,000 after rental deduction will be the balance for the family's living expenses. In addition, they are required to come down to work very early in the morning. In terms of cost vs practicality, we prefer to house them in since we are going to build 4 units quarters. This will do away with the unsightly squatters at Hole 5. With them around, outsiders will not come in to disturb the machineries and buggies. The committee assured that they will try to manage issues associated with extended families.

#### Wee Yam Khoon (8924)

He is not concern about the well-being and benefit of the workers. He is concerned about the cost involved. A single storey and a double storey building varies. He enquired whether the committee has survey its cost individually. His estimate for a single storey building is about RM300k.

#### Reply from the Hon. Treasurer

The committee budgeted RM800k for the double storey building. This is not the actual cost. Once the proposal is accepted by members, the committee will open for tender to bid for the project. RM800k is the maximum. He anticipated that this would not cost so much, perhaps RM500k would be sufficient for the whole project.

A terrace house at Hole 5 would cost about RM200k to RM300k. The cost of a single storey workshop plus the cost of a terrace house with 3 houses at Hole 5 will add up to about RM800k. However, he preferred to see some workers living nearer to the clubhouse and keeping watch over the club's machines and buggies versus to living at hole 5 which is so far away from the club house.

#### Moses Ting (8783)

His point is not on financial but instead the labour quarter should not be built on the same block with the workshop. This will tantamount to spare parts missing from the workshop. Secondly he doubt that this is allowed by the Council, i.e. the workshop and quarters being built together.

#### **Reply from the Captain**

- 1. Mr. Moses Ting is concerned about pilferage and burglary. Burglary happened everywhere even in your house.
- 2. Mr .Wee's opinion is to cut the cost of constructing the storage.

3. The latter's concerned is without housing provided for the low waged workers, there will be no workers working in the club. Whether it is together with the buggy storage or not, this can be further discussed. Without anyone staying or looking after the buggy storage, the club's assets worth of RM1 million could be stolen.

Cutting down in cost from constructing a double storey building to a single storey building without any quarters is viable. The club needs to employ a full time security guard to man the place at night. Paying a monthly wages of RM1k for the employment of a security guard permanently is not cost effective. The committee is ready to accept any other better proposals.

#### Syed Fazil (6444-02)

He advised the committee to consider avoiding the risk of fire or explosion. By building a workshop at ground floor and labour quarters on 1<sup>st</sup> floor is not recommended. He related one real similar incident which happened in Pujut where a boy died as a result of this.

#### **Reply from the Hon. Treasurer**

He commented that industrial shophouses and shops in town have this kind of set up. Their business operates at ground floor and the workers staying upstairs.

#### **Reply from the Hon. Secretary**

He informed that the proposal by the MC is not conclusive. This quorum will determine the way forward. The building plan has been displayed on the club's notice board for members to think about it. Points and opinions raised by members today were issues that the MC has duly discussed and deliberated prior to putting up this plan as their proposed resolution. The committee can consider adopting a single storey building, however, the other issues such as low-waged workers and transportation of the workers to come down to work early in the morning is not solved.

The committee have been monitoring the squatters at Hole 5. They are not growing. They are in the midst of trimming them down. It is because they are the club's workers, the committee have no guts to call in the enforcement to remove the squatters.

At this point, the Captain concluded and summarized that the on-going debate has come out with two proposals:

- 1. The proposed resolution as proposed by the KGMMC as per the attached building plan at RM800k.
- 2. The proposal raised by Mr. Wee Yam Khoon to construct a single storey building with a guard house at an estimate cost of about RM300k.

At this point, there was a continuous lengthy dialogue between members from the floor and the committee at this point.

#### Committee III

He thanked all the members' constructive suggestions and advised the members to vote for the option which they are in favour of. The MC shall then see the result and worked on from there.

#### Francis Chin (8139-01)

He stressed that members from the floor wished to explore and brainstorm more details for a better understanding before putting this matter to vote.

#### Reply from the Hon. Treasurer

He sought the cooperation and understanding from the members to trust the MC to carry out this project for the long term benefit of the club. The MC have duly discussed all these issues prior to today's AGM.

#### Francis Ding (8550-01)

He commented that all the inputs brought up by members are valid. He trusted the MC and he strongly agree with the decision passed by the MC. He also believed that the MC had duly discussed this matter. As for the fire risk, he advised the MC to take precaution, i.e. consider separating it even it requires more budget to do so, spend it when it is necessary.

#### Moses Ting (8783)

He expressed his appreciation to the MC for a very good job. He also trust the MC to do everything for the Club. However everything proposed by the MC may not be the best. Members' suggestions may be better.

He proposed to separate the workshop from the quarters to be put to vote.

#### <u>Committee I</u>

He briefed members that three options shall be put to vote. The committee will see what would be the best option to adopt from the outcome of the votes.

At this point, the Captain refreshed additional inputs. He concluded and summarized that the on-going debate has now come out with three proposals:

- 1. The proposed resolution as proposed by the KGMMC as per the attached building plan at RM800k.
- 2. The proposal raised by Mr. Wee Yam Khoon to construct a single storey building with a guard house at an estimate cost of about RM300k.
- 3. The proposal raised by Mr. Moses Ting to construct a workshop which is separated from the quarters.

Following are the voting result carried out by show of hands:

- 1. The proposed resolution as proposed by the KGMMC as per the attached building plan at RM800k. <u>38 votes</u>
- 2. The proposal raised by Mr. Wee Yam Khoon to construct a single storey building with a guard house at an estimate cost of about RM300k. <u>**3 votes**</u>
- 3. The proposal raised by Mr. Moses Ting to construct a workshop which is separated from the quarters. <u>**3 votes**</u>

With this, the MC shall adopt the proposal by KGMMC taking into consideration of the fire risk.

The Captain announced that the building plan costing RM25k is designed by Ms Nora Pui and given to the club free of charge.

There were no further comments or queries on the Balance Sheet, Statement of Account for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 and the proposed budget for 2016. Proposed by: Esaw Mikir (9271)

Seconded by: Roslan Sebli (846G)

# 5.0 To consider and adopt resolution submitted in writing to Hon. Secretary fourteen (14) days before the meeting (i.e by 6<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 4.30pm)

The Management Committee hereby proposed to dispose the snooker table by selling it to any individual or organization. The form of sale shall be by putting up notice on club's notice board for interest parties to respond.

The reasons for the disposal are: Members are not making use of this facility, it is occupying the Golfer's Terrace serving area and it has no income to the club.

The captain proposed that the snooker table be sold off at RM5k.

There was no comment or query from the floor on the above proposal.

Proposed by: Esaw Mikir (9271)

Seconded by: Wee Yam Khoon (8924)

#### 6. To elect new Club Management Committee for 2016

The Captain called upon the Returning Officer, Mr. Won Ah Hoh to conduct the election of the new Management Committee for the year 2016.

Mr. Won Ah Hoh announced that there were eleven (11) positions in the Management Committee. All posts were returned unopposed.

The Returning Officer announced the new Club Management Committee for 2016.

President	YBhg Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri Dr. George Chan Hong Nam	
Captain	Mr. Pui Kien Nyap	
Hon. Secretary	Mr. Agan Maran	
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Tang Tung Seng	
Hon. House Member	Mr. Ling Kie Ing	
Hon. Course & Greens	Mr. Pang Kin Siong	
Member		
Hon. Competition Secretary	Mr. Victor Lee Yau Ming	
Hon. Handicap Secretary	Mr. Esaw Mikir	
Committee Member	Mr. Andrew Victor Nub	
Committee Member	Mr. Ting Seaa Ming Jeremy	
Committee Member	Mr. Azahari Bin Bujang	

He congratulated the newly elected committee member, Mr. Esaw Mikir and invited him up on the stage.

He welcomed his committee and thanked all of them for their support and then continued with the proceedings of the next agenda scheduled in the meeting.

The Captain thanked Cr. Haji Alias Mail for his contribution and services rendered to the club as the Hon. Handicap Secretary. He had not seek re-election due to personal reason. On behalf of the Management Committee, he wished him all the best.

In his place, Mr. Esaw Mikir is the new Hon. Handicap Secretary (as known as The Handicap Chairman).

#### 7. Appointment of Auditing Firm

The Captain proposed Ernst & Young to be appointed as the Club's auditor for the year 2016. He then open to the floor for comments or objections. There is no comments to his proposal.

Proposed: Roslan Sebli (846G) Seconded: Yeo Teck Chin (6965)

#### 8. Appointment of Officers under Section 9(b) of the Societies Act, 1966.

The Captain proposed that the three Officers appointed in accordance to Section 9(b) of the Societies Act, 1966 to be ;

- 1. YBhg Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri Dr George Chan Hong Nam
- 2. Mr. Pui Kien Nyap
- 3. Mr. Agan Maran

Proposed: Alvin Bong (8157) Seconded: Ho Swee Moi (6400)

#### **Any Other Business**

#### Wilson Kueh (9030)

1.Pace of Play – he mentioned that during the final round of the KGM Open Championship, the last two group of competitors did not adhere to the pace of play but no action was taken.

2.Charity Fund – he proposed to give part of the charity fund collected to the Orphange Home.

3.Competition – Instead of just playing match play and stroke play competitions, he suggested organising greensome or mixed greensome to make the game more interesting.

#### **Reply from the Captain**

Q1 In USPGA, the last group of competitor is always slow. This is allowed as they do not hold up any flights and there are no flights behind them. They are playing within their pace of play.

Q2 The MC will incorporate the Orphanage Home at the next donation.

Q3 This used to be played in the past. Currently, the number of ladies are too few and therefore the crowd is not enough to play this game. Nevertheless, point is taken, the Committee will put this event in the golf calendar in due time.

#### Delima Ibrahim (845U-01)

She proposed to put the weekly competition draw on the website.

#### **Reply from the Captain**

This is not advisable due to last minute changes which may result in golfers missing their tee-off time.

#### **Reply from the Hon. Competition Secretary**

He advised golfers to call the club to find out their tee-off time. If the phone is not answered, they may call the committee as well.

#### Reply from the Hon. Secretary

He commented that this is a valid request. However, the MC would not want to disappoint anyone as the main objective is to play golf. While the closing date of entry is normally scheduled on Wednesday and the draw is normally put up on Thursday that does not mean that the draw is final. Unless there is no more withdrawal and no more new entries. Since this is the case, the draft draw will be posted on the website. Such draw is subject to changes.

#### Hon. Treasurer

He informed that last year at the AGM, there were members requesting for wi-fi to be installed at the club. The club has been subscribing the said services with TM at over RM200 per month. During this period, it was noted that the internet connectivity is weak most of the time. He decided therefore since broadband services are getting cheaper for members to invest their own, the club would terminate the wi-fi subscription with TM. Any member who have any grievances over this may talk to the latter personally.

#### Hussin Mohamed (8273)

He advised the committee to upgrade the service of the marshall. He related incidents of the marshall not following the rules. There was occasion when he was not given the priority to cross over even though there was no one at the starter shed.

#### **Reply from the Captain**

He replied that the KGMMC would look into this matter.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12.03pm.

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AGAN MARAN HON. SECRETARY