

# **125 years of West Mayfield Golf Club 1893 to 2018**



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*(Photo: Courtesy Ken Capewell)*

**A potted history – or ramblings through the minute books**

**(1904 to 2018)**

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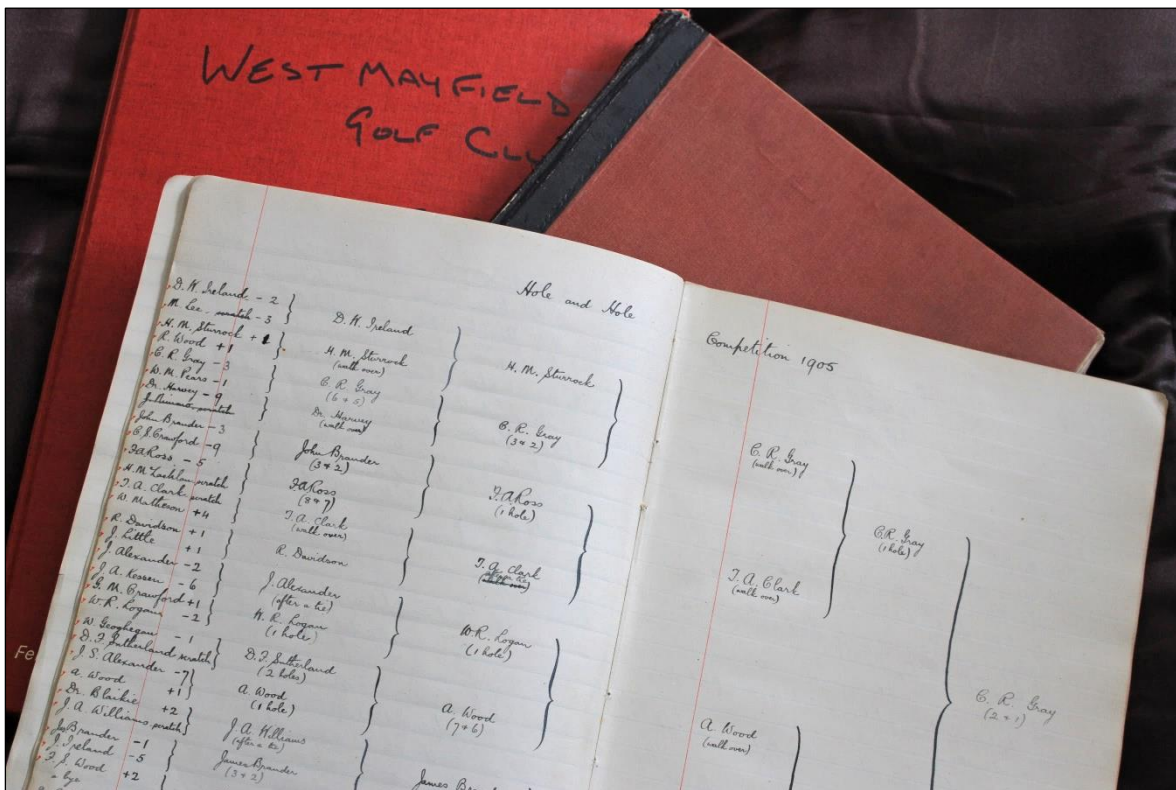


Figure 1 The Minute Books

## Preface

I am Edinburgh born and bred and have played the glorious game since I was 12 or 13 years old. Moving away from Edinburgh after I graduated, I returned to this great city in 1989. The Ross family lived in Mayfield Road just next to Mayfield Church as it was known then. Shortly after joining that church in the following year, David Booth and my elder David Stocks invited me to join them on a West Mayfield Golf Outing. Little did I know where this would lead.

I recall that my first WMGC outing was to the pretty 9 hole course on the River Tweed at St Boswells. (Is it a coincidence that I now live close by and am a member of that course?) In those days prospective candidates for the membership were carefully scrutinised by the Captain and Council, required to change into jacket and tie for our post-match dinner and were for all intents and purposes interviewed for suitability. I passed the test!

The minute books confirm my recollection and my inaugural outing was held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 1990. The minute records that 10 players took part with the winner being John Lunn with a fine scratch score of 74. Our meal was taken in the Dryburgh Abbey Hotel.

West Mayfield Golf Club is a wonderful institution and over the years I have enjoyed the company of many, many fine golfers. We have had amazing outings, thrilling Hole & Hole matches, trips to far flung continents, and many splendid dinners. I am sure my fellow members would agree that competitive golf keeps us coming back for more but it is the fellowship which endures.

Now in its 125<sup>th</sup> year, West Mayfield Golf Club has survived two World Wars. I am pleased to say we have more relaxed standards than hitherto, reflecting golf in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and the Club continues to attract new members. I hope you will enjoy the edited highlights!

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Figure 2 Sime Cup

West Mayfield Golf Club is a non-course owning club. The Club therefore seeks out suitable venues for its outings usually within an hour or so from its Edinburgh home. West Mayfield Golf Club has a long history. The Club was established by members of Mayfield Free Church, which is situated on the corner of West Mayfield and Mayfield Road on the south side of Edinburgh - hence its name.

The Club Constitution is straightforward and succinct as the Club has no land or property to be considered. (See Appendixes 1 and 2). While the Club's surviving written records only go back as far as 1904, the Sime Cup clearly shows the Club in existence in 1893. Accordingly the Club held its Centenary in 1993. This was celebrated with a weekend outing to Kinross Golf Club on 23 June 1993.

Since then the Club has been more adventurous with regular annual outings overseas, and a more local autumn outing over a long weekend.

Four main trophies are played for each year. The most prestigious of them, the **Sime Cup**, is awarded to the player with the best performance over the year. Up to 2009, this was based on the aggregated best two net scores from the qualifying outings. Thereafter it has been based on Stableford points rather than strokes, the winner having the largest accumulated points total from any three games from the qualifying outings.

Peter Wright Sime lived at 20 Queens Crescent, and was one of those present on 13 March 1875 when the Mayfield Free Church was inaugurated. He presented the trophy to WMGC in May 1893. He became an elder at Mayfield on 24 October 1897 and died on 17 June 1902. He was buried in Grange Cemetery. Mr Sime was a linen merchant, and a partner in the firm of P & R Wright, linen manufacturers and drapers, 16 George Street, Edinburgh.





Figure 5 Match Play Trophy

A new and handsome “Knock Out Bowl” was donated to the Club at the 2003 AGM by Bob Cupples and is awarded to the winner of the West Mayfield Golf Club annual **Match Play Championship**.

There are in addition spring and autumn trophies donated by John Lunn and Ian Beckett respectively.



Figure 6 Spring Tour Trophy

These are played for on tour, where the scoring is Stableford on the day but adjusted to a points total with handicap adjustments after each day's play. (See Appendix 5 for an example).



Figure 7 Autumn Tour Trophy

So to the extracts from old minute books and some random diversions!

The minute book opens with a chart showing an undated Hole and Hole Competition result. Won by Mr W Matheson, it appears he received the prize of 8 Haskells. So when did this event occur and what was a Haskell? From the information in the minute book and below, we can be confident that the competition must have been after 1900 and probably before 1905. You will forgive me for digressing here but it seems one Coburn Haskell, an American, developed a wound core ball in 1898. In 1899 he and Bertram G. Work, an employee of the Goodrich rubber company in Ohio, patented the Haskell ball as it came to be known, in 1899 – a solid core wrapped tightly with rubber threads covered with a layer of gutta-percha.<sup>1</sup>

The ball arrived in Britain in 1900, but in 1905 Haskell's patent in the UK was refused on the grounds of prior existence from 1870. This means that, for

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.scottishgolfhistory.org/origin-of-golf-terms/golf-ball-feathery-gutty-haskell>



Figure 8 "Haskell" golf ball

different reasons, none of the golf balls which were the making of golf were patented in the UK.

The hand winding of the rubber threads was soon mechanized. The outside covering was initially a Bramble pattern, and it would be a dozen years before the superior dimple patterns that we know today were developed.

Bobby Jones described this as the most important development in golf, and it certainly was in his life time. Within a few years, the Haskell was outperforming the gutty and superseded it. But back to the Minute Book...

In the available records the first minuted meeting of West Mayfield Golf Club (WMGC) was held on Wednesday 6 July 1904. The business that day centred around an outing to Bruntsfield on 7 July 1904, and it would start on the arrival of the 1:07 train from Edinburgh. We have to remember that Bruntsfield had relocated from their central Edinburgh links, firstly to Musselburgh and then to the Cramond Regis estate which has been the home of the Bruntsfield Links Golfing Society Limited since 1898. This new course was 3 miles out in the country and at this time was served by the Barnton Branch of the Caledonian Railway. The train would have stopped at Davidson's Mains Station which was located at Barnton Avenue just a short walk from the links.



Figure 9 Davidson's Mains Station

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The line was opened in February 1894. It was double tracked with nine bridges and two stations. Barnton was the terminus, and the intermediate station, Davidson's Mains (originally known as Barnton Gate, but renamed in 1903), had two platforms. The main buildings sat on the Edinburgh-bound side, with a waiting room on the other side and a foot-bridge connecting (See Figure 8).

Some 16 members signified their intention to play. First prize of £1 was presented by Rev Lewis Davidson with second and third prizes of 15 and 10 shillings respectively. The winner was Mr R Davison with a commendable 88 scratch. It is interesting to note that £1 in 1904 is worth about £116 today. If you had kept an uncirculated mint condition 1904 shilling coin it would be worth £321 now. These were generous amateur prizes by any standards! Mental note - ask the Treasurer to up the winnings!

By 1905 the number of members of WMGC exceeded 50, and although the original constitution limited the number of members to 50 it was decided that this limitation be deleted. For reference, the membership in 2018 is around 20. So it was that at the AGM of 1905, held in Mayfield United Free Church on 16<sup>th</sup>

February, that the membership limit was removed. Outings for that year were proposed as follows:

Victoria Day – Hedderwick Hill or Archerfield, followed by the summer competition at Luffness or Burntisland and the autumn competition at Bruntsfield in September.

The Hedderwick Hill golf course (sometimes Hedderwick golf course) was located on West Barns Links, about a mile west of Dunbar. It is not to be confused with Winterfield golf course, which still operates nearby today. The Hedderwick Hill golf course dates from just after 1896. In this year St. Clair Cunningham, an enthusiastic golfer and member of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, took a farm lease at Hedderwick Hill and laid out his own course. Cunningham had married an heiress to the wealthy Usher family of whisky-blenders and brewers. The first recorded visit by any golfers was by the Dunbar Golf Society in June 1897. Hedderwick Hill Golf Course was ploughed up during the First World War but was reinstated and lasted until around 1937.

The Hedderwick Hill outing was won by W. M. Pears who won £1 or 20 shillings. The Club gave a 5/- tip to the Greenkeeper at Hedderwick. Hedderwick proved to be a very popular outing with usually around 20 members taking part. Interestingly the outing to Bruntsfield in 1905 attracted several ladies (not it seems to the golf, but for tea in the Clubhouse). The minute book records that this was the first time ladies were present and it was greatly appreciated.

The Treasurer's report in 1904 records that the cost of membership was 2/6. After all income and expenditure for the year the Club accounts at the close of the season stood at 18/-.

It is good to see that the members were just as careful with their money as we are today: "the Secretary was instructed to ascertain the exact time of trains to and from Gullane and to obtain cheap tickets" – extract from 26<sup>th</sup> May 1905 Committee meeting. Sadly WMGC can't travel by train to Gullane these days, as the line which opened in 1898 never succeeded in financial terms, and it closed to passengers in 1932.

The Secretary's report for 1904/5 records that there were 57 members and that 36 of them took part in one or more competitions. In 1908 the AGM considered the issue of limiting (in future) membership of the WMGC to persons connected with the church, and it was agreed at that meeting to do so.

At the 1909 AGM it was interesting to note that there was discussion over the advisability of holding outings, other than the Victoria Day outing, on Mondays. No decision was taken on the matter at the AGM. At the Committee Meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> May 1909 the Secretary was asked to arrange for 3 reserved compartments on the 9:15 train to Dunbar for the Hedderwick Outing. Prizes were now to be arranged according to the money received in subscriptions.

In 1910 the usual single round at Hedderwick was debated against a full day's golf with the members playing Hedderwick in the morning, lunching at the Roxburghe Marine Hotel, (Dunbar), and playing a Captains v Vice Captains match in the afternoon. After a vote the usual arrangements stood.



Figure 10 Roxburghe Marine Hotel, Dunbar

By 1911 membership had fallen to 35, the minutes noting that a poor turnout for the Gullane outing that year resulted in the fixture being cancelled. As a result the funds of the club were considered to be low, and accordingly prize monies were reduced. In 1912 membership had fallen to 27 and for the second year in a row no new members had been recruited. In 1913 the Hole and Hole competition was dropped for one year. However membership was now back up to 34. In 1914 the Hole and Hole tournament was reinstated. Permission was refused for the Club to play Hedderwick on Victoria Day so the Club played Gullane instead.

No further entries were recorded between 1914 and 1920 as a result of the Great War. In 1920 26 members were documented, there having been 8 deaths, 13 resignations and 13 new members since 1914 when the roll stood at 34. The following members were killed in action or died as a direct result of military service: Messrs E Milroy, Geo. Macalister and Marshall Lee (who had been Hon Secretary & Treasurer 1907 and 1908).

In 1921 a motion was brought forward and seconded that the Sime Cup should be won by the best two (net) scores made out of the three competitions. The motion was carried. Arrangements for the Torphin Hill competition were discussed. Because of the Miners Strike very few trains were available, so it was decided to travel by taxi. It was also suggested that the Club enter the Dispatch Trophy Tournament. They were beaten in the fourth round which "was by no means disappointing".

In 1921 the membership stood at 24. In 1922 it was decided to hold all competitions on Saturdays. The three outings picked that year were Kilspindie, Gullane No 2 and Longniddry. As the Club was financially sound it was decided to hold a Hole and Hole Tournament during the winter, without entry money.

However in 1925 the Captain (J D Mackintosh) moved that in view of the poor support given to the Club at the AGM, the Club should be discontinued, but after discussion it was unanimously agreed to continue. Later in 1925 the Secretary happily reported that there were 36 members, with 25 turning out to Kilspindie on 28<sup>th</sup> March. By 1927 "membership was full at about 50 and it was decided not to try for more new members". However in the Secretary's report it was noted that only 37 subscriptions were paid. By 1929 the number of subscriptions received was 21 but rose to 32 in 1930. In this same year the Club applied for, and was admitted to membership of the Lothian Golf Association. A WMGC team was entered into the Lothians Tournament held over Gullane.

By 1933, only 25 subscriptions were paid from a total membership of 53! A committee meeting held on 7 May decided not to enter a team for the Lothian Tournament in 1934 and questioned whether membership of the Lothian Association should be continued. At the following AGM on 15<sup>th</sup> January 1935 it was unanimously decided that this membership be discontinued, in view of the

fact that the Club did not benefit from such membership, taking into account the amount of the annual subscription paid by the Club to the Association- (15/6 for 1934).

The first minute book closes with the Minute of the AGM 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1936. A new minute book opens with the Secretary's report for 1936, noting that the membership was 43 with 29 subscriptions paid. In 1937 at the invitation of Mayfield North Ladies Golf Club, seven members of the WMGC took part in a mixed foursomes match at Craigmillar Park. This was not the mixed foursomes as we currently know it, as the men played the ladies! The result was a victory for WMGC, three matches to one. It seems that in 1938 the same problems befell the Hole and Hole competition then as now, with too many failures to communicate results and too many walk-overs, which resulted in the delay of the final until past the end of the season.

The Secretary's Report for 1939 recorded "as a result of the outbreak of the War in September and the immediate mobilisation of the Secretary, Mr W T Westwater, the Club was suspended until 1947 when the 1939 Report was written". The Extraordinary Meeting of WMGC on 30<sup>th</sup> June 1947 discussed whether the Club should be constituted under the existing Constitution or whether a new constitution should be adopted. This would include changing the name of the Club to Mayfield North Golf Club, and the limiting of the membership to male members and adherents of Mayfield North Church and such others as were members of West Mayfield Golf Club in 1939. Mr A Eden (Secretary) explained that although the original constitution provided only for admission to membership of the Club being at the discretion of the Council, he had on perusing earlier minutes discovered that at the SGM held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 1908, it had been agreed that the membership should be limited to "persons connected with the Church". Some discussion took place as to whether the Church referred to the then Mayfield United Free Church or the Church in general. It was explained that for many years prior to the War, there had been several members who were unconnected with Mayfield North Church. After considerable discussion it was proposed that membership should not be limited to members and adherents of Mayfield North Church, but open also to those connected with other churches, as had been the practice prior to the War. To remove any doubt raised by the Minute of 1908, the word "church"

should be interpreted in the widest meaning, i.e. “that membership should be at the discretion of the Council and limited to male members and adherents of Mayfield North Church and any other Church”. This proposal was approved by 11 votes to 1. The name remained as West Mayfield Golf Club, there being no minute to the contrary.

In the Secretary’s Report for 1950 we find reference to slow play at Gifford being partly occasioned by some of our younger members who treated the fairways as ‘forbidden ground’!

In 1954 the members complained that owing to the thickness of the rough at the Haddington outing of 24 July, 13 players lost 36 balls between them – surely a record for a single outing?

In 1958 the AGM revised the Constitution (it being suggested that the “present conduct of the Club was not in accordance with the original Constitution as drawn up at the time of the Club’s formation”). The revised constitution was approved unanimously. A copy may be found in Appendix 1.

In 1961 the AGM decided that members would need to be a minimum of 18 years of age. By 1970 there were 19 members of the Club.

The now famous “Mayfield Rule” was instituted in 1975. To prevent slow play a player that has not played a provisional ball is allowed to drop a ball in the place that he thinks he has lost the ball under penalty of two strokes.

In 1993, after nearly 20 years in the post David Stocks, our Secretary, was granted Honorary Life Membership of WMGC in token of members’ appreciation. At the AGM in 1994 his widow, Mrs Margaret Stocks and her daughter, also Margaret, donated a splendid silver salver known as the David Stocks Salver. This would be played for annually in David’s memory, preferably over his home course (Kilspindie).

In 1993 a centenary outing to the Green Hotel, Kinross on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June was arranged with celebratory dinner and overnight stay. Members played for the Centenary Cup kindly donated by J Ewan Brown, who with David Booth are probably our longest serving current members. The Centenary Cup is now played for on an annual basis, usually at the last outing of each year. The Kinross outing was to be the first of the more distant tours undertaken by

WMGC. The photograph below shows (left to right): Dr. Graham Simpson, Jack Alexander, Dr. David Booth (President), Dr. Neil Johnston and Robbie Bartholomew.



Figure 11 Centenary celebrations, Kinross 19<sup>th</sup> June 1993 (Photo Courtesy of John Lunn)

In 2002 the issue of lady members was again brought to the attention of the WMGC. At the AGM of 1999 the matter had been discussed, and it was agreed that the Club would adopt a more relaxed attitude to lady members but not to change the constitution. The Secretary advised the meeting that changes to the constitution could only be made following due notice of the proposed changes on the agenda of the meeting. Accordingly the matter was deferred to the next AGM or an EGM. An EGM was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2002 at which time the constitution was changed, effectively allowing lady members (See Appendix 2). The changes also meant that the test of church membership lapsed. Membership continues to be at the discretion of the Council.

Another event worth recording in 2002 was the fine Hole in One by John Lunn at the Winterfield outing on 28<sup>th</sup> September which helped him to a fabulous 59 scratch score. This is surely the best ever WMGC score for 18 holes.



Figure 12 Castle Park, Gifford 2003 Hugh Somerville, John Lunn and Bob Cupples

Following a successful inaugural international tour to Co. Donegal in 2003, a tour to Mallorca – the first of several – was organised the following year with 9 participants playing 5 different courses.

Once charged with reserving 3 compartments on the Dunbar train, the Secretary or more

usually the tour organiser is now charged with booking flights and accommodation in addition to tee reservations. Simple canvas or leather bags have been replaced by enormous (and heavy) flight bags.

At that time of our first “foreign” tours membership of WMGC remained around 13 -15 members with an average attendance at each of the now six



Figure 13 Ballyliffin, Co. Donegal 2003  
Les Sibbald attempts an escape from a cavernous bunker

outings of around 9. In 2005 changes to the Club Handicapping system were introduced at the AGM.

The following procedure was agreed:

- a) Each member would start the season with his National Handicap – for members without National Handicaps, the Council would assign one.
- b) At any time in the season, each member would play with the lower of his Club or National Handicap
- c) The winner of each outing which counts towards the Sime Cup would have his Club handicap reduced by two strokes.
- d) Likewise, the player in second place at such an outing would have his Club Handicap reduced by one stroke.
- e) Throughout the season the Council will monitor the handicap and will take agreed but appropriate actions to eliminate any significant anomalies. Any such changes will not be retrospective.

Before 2005 the handicapping system seems to have been a mystery, known only to the Council. Handicaps appeared to be allocated according to the member's stated official handicap (if any), perceived current form, and whether he had won any competitions in the previous or current year (when handicap cuts could be brutal!).

2005 marked the start of the WMGC Autumn weekend tours, the first being to Dumfriesshire to play Powfoot and Southernness. Ever careful of members' cash, the Secretary subjected the members to a day ticket over Southernness. After 36 holes on the windy links it was a subdued band of golfers (with few golf balls left) who made their way back to Edinburgh late that evening.

In 2007 the Secretary reported that the season started with an enjoyable tour to Catalonia, but not in the weather that had been anticipated as Spain suffered one of the worst winter storms for decades, including snow in Rioja. However this did not spoil the enjoyment of some challenging courses in some interesting, if all too familiar, climatic conditions. This was, unfortunately, a portent for the weather for most of the rest of the season.

WMGC players have endured all kinds of weather, but special mention must be made of the club once recklessly playing on through thunder and lightning at

Dunbar Winterfield, and in another year subjecting lady guests to storm force winds at Kilspindie. During that occasion, flags shook themselves out of the cups, and stationary balls on greens were blown remarkable distances. All bar one of the ladies retired to the clubhouse well before the 9<sup>th</sup>, probably sensibly as the course was technically unplayable. It has been difficult to recruit ladies to the WMGC since; perhaps they think that the club's expectations are unrealistic?



Figure 14 Florida Tourers 2008  
(Left to right)  
David Booth, Ken Capewell, Hugh Somerville, Ian Beckett,  
Philip Bell, Brian Hosie, Jim Ross

Mention must also be made of the WMGC tour to Florida in 2008 where the accommodation and golf courses were of the highest quality. The Secretary wrote “and it was not just on the golf courses that tour members enjoyed their sport, with water volleyball in the pool at the villa being a particular hit”. A lasting comment from one of our members was “I’ve never had so much fun with my clothes off in years”!

On the same tour members had to be instructed “not to play close to that large log” – it turned out to be a sleepy alligator. We were advised by the course marshal that although the reptile was elderly, it still had a good turn of speed and very nasty jaws!

At the AGM of 2009 a proposal to change the scoring format for outings was considered. This would change stroke play to Stableford format in order to be “good visitors” at the clubs hosting our outings. This was accepted as a trial for one year with a maximum handicap of 28 for gentlemen. Following agreement that the Stableford format had been a success, the Club agreed to continue that format for the time being at the following AGM in 2010.



Figure 15 Tourers relaxing after a round at Royal Marrakech

(left to right)

Michael McFee, Hugh Somerville, Nigel Cumming, Dimitris Magliveras, David Booth, Duncan MacCuish, Tim Rollinson, Brian Hosie, Jim Ross, Ken Capewell (front).

2011 saw WMGC peregrinations extend to the continent of Africa for their first outing to Morocco (above). Another first that year was the introduction of the now familiar WMGC Annual Dinner and Prize giving Ceremony.

In 2015, at the Annual Dinner the members were treated to a DVD compilation of photos taken over the years on tour.



Figure 16 WMGC Tour DVD

WMGC are not unaware of the changes affecting golf in the 21<sup>st</sup> century both nationally and internationally. In particular the members are acutely aware of the increasing age of club membership, and steps have been taken to introduce younger members and indeed we now have a father and son pairing which is most welcome. Membership fees are currently £10 per annum – surely great value today!

The Club continues many of the fine traditions of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century including prizes of golf balls for competition winners. Thankfully we don't have to play with Haskells anymore!

As we approach our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary the Club remains in reasonable health with between 17 and 20 members regularly taking part in outings and the now familiar foreign and domestic tours each year. This spring, as we head off to sunny Cyprus, members shall be sporting fine embroidered Polo Shirts with a new logo for the club proudly acknowledging our establishment in 1893.



Figure 17  
Commemorative Logo



**Figure 18 Slaley Hall autumn tour 2017**

**(left to right)**

**Alastair MacGilchrist, Ian Beckett, Jim Ross, Dimitris Magliveras, Peter Grant, Les Sibbald, Hugh Somerville, Philip Bell, David Booth, Graeme Booth, Brian Hosie.**



**Figure 19 Spey Valley September 2010**

**(left to right) Ian Beckett, Nigel Cumming, Duncan MacCuish, Tim Rollinson, Jim Ross, Hugh Somerville, Michael McFee, Dimitris Magliveras.**

## Appendices

1. Constitution (1959)
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**Figure 20 Los Naranjos, Puerto Banus Spring Tour 2015  
(left to right) Ken Capewell, Duncan MacCuish & Hugh Somerville  
with the massive La Concha behind (1215m)**

Appendix 1.

**CONSTITUTION (1959)**

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3. The annual subscription shall be fixed at a General Meeting of the Club.
4. Admission to membership of the Club shall be at the discretion of the Council and shall be limited to male members and adherents of Mayfield North Church, Edinburgh and any other Church.
5. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in February or March in each year. At any meeting of the Club the Captain shall preside; and failing the Captain the Vice-Captain, whom failing any other member elected at the meeting shall preside.
6. The quorum at any meeting of the Council shall be three, and at any General meeting of the Club five.

25<sup>th</sup> March 1959

## Appendix 2.

### **CONSTITUTION (2002)**

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Revised 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2002

Appendix 3: Outings 2002 - WMGC attempts to be gender inclusive and goes on the World Wide Web!

## WEST MAYFIELD GOLF CLUB

2002

### Proposed Outings

At the recent AGM West Mayfield Golf Club approved the following fixtures for this season. New members are always welcome, for details please contact the Secretary. The membership is especially keen to encourage ladies to join them at any of these outings and in particular the popular mixed foursome event which will be held on Thursday 20 June at Gullane.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Meals</u>
CHARLETON GOLF CLUB	25 May 2002	09:30	Clubhouse
GULLANE No3 <u>MIXED</u> OUTING	20 June 2002	15:00	Clubhouse
AUCHTERARDER GOLF CLUB	29 June 2002	10:00	Clubhouse
EYEMOUTH	27 July 2002	14:00	Clubhouse
CASTLE PARK, GIFFORD	24 Aug 2002	14:00	Clubhouse
WINTERFIELD, DUNBAR	28 Sept 2002	14:00	Clubhouse

In addition to these outings the West Mayfield Golf Club are holding a knock-out challenge this year. Persons wishing to play must register with the Secretary before 25 May 2002, when the draw will be made.

Further information is available from the Secretary (Jim Ross 667 7223) or through the church website:

[www.mayfieldsalisbury.org/activities/westmayfieldgolfclub](http://www.mayfieldsalisbury.org/activities/westmayfieldgolfclub).

## Appendix 4

### In 2013 going out to Mallorca in April, we had a bit of fun with our Racecard

This year we have 12 runners and the going looks good.

#### The Racecard

**1. Mike Mc Fee**, trained at Mortonhall but now a predominantly links player at Luffness. Being from Dundee keen not to lose his stake. Recent form has been poor, handicap going up but potential still there. In halcyon days was overall winner at Mallorca in 2004 and Southernness Tour 2005, where he was a country mile ahead of his nearest rival (13 points clear after 3 rounds). Form continued into a joint share of first place at Mallorca 2006 with Jim and Hugh. Recently overtaken by young bucks Nigel and Dimitris being placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at Marrakech. Third equal on last time out on Northumberland Autumn tour 2012. Good each way bet with a great chance of a place. If the wind blows, almost certain to be in better order than the rest of the field.

**2. Bob Cupples** trained at Craigmillar Park but finding form at Dunbar Links. Game suits a running course. If it rains move your money elsewhere. A social rather than seriously competitive golfer who has enjoyed retiring to golf full time. Gorse provided too much for this player at Southernness so was unplaced there. Capable of at least one good round but does he have the stamina to win over five days? Look out for a 35 or 36 pointer early on if he can get a supply of English Breakfast tea to sustain him. Without tea his odds are poor. Won round at Son Vida in 2006 but faded to 5<sup>th</sup> place overall that year. Came in last place at Villamoura in 2010 and 2<sup>nd</sup> last at the same resort in 2012.

**3. Les Sibbald** player at Gullane, still has (relative) youth on his side and likes to hit a long ball but apt to find the going hard when he runs into the rough. Not frequently seen on tour but a welcome addition to this field. Last spotted in Ireland in a bunker 6 feet below the green at Ballyliffin. Needed helped out to get back on track. Struggled last time out at Gullane on April 6<sup>th</sup> this year but a good each way bet. Likely to win at least one day but on recent form unlikely to keep the ball straight enough to win overall.

**4. David Booth** – trains at Kilspindie, prefers a shorter course with a lot of run, never in serious trouble off the tee but needs to chip and putt well to have a chance. Best form was Villamoura 2010 where he was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> equal. Handicap now 20 so a good prospect early in the week especially on the shorter Son Vida course. Watch out for David if the course is dry and lots of run.

**5. Dimitris Magliveras**, beware of Greeks bearing gifts, this player has a 26 national handicap but has generously accepted 22 on tour! When Nigel and Dimitris are out together in Team "A" on Monday at Son Vida we expect that team to win. Placed in both Marrakech 2011 (1<sup>st</sup>) and Villamoura 2012 (2<sup>nd</sup>). Always likely to romp through at the end. He would be a good bet to win if the odds are worth it.

**6. Jim Ross**, trains at St Boswells in the Scottish Borders plays off a dodgy 10 handicap, capable of better but caves in under pressure. If the wind blows likely to lose a bag of golf balls but if calm and dry, difficult to beat. Placed 4<sup>th</sup> at Mallorca 2004, 1<sup>st</sup> equal with Mike and Hugh at Mallorca 2006, 3<sup>rd</sup> at Costa Brava 2007, 2<sup>nd</sup> at Florida 2008, 2<sup>nd</sup> at Villamoura 2010 and 1<sup>st</sup> at Villamoura 2012. This is a

bigger field; the stakes are high and his competitive spirit should see a place. Previous form places him as a good each way bet but not the overall winner. Suffering from a serious hook, we hear he was at the range last week seeking help!

**7. Philip Bell**, trains at the Merchants so will be likely to perform well on the hilly courses around SW Mallorca. Tall and hits a mean ball. An infrequent tourer but placed a commendable third in Florida where he “never had as much fun with my clothes off” - his famous quote – we think he meant while playing volley ball in the pool! At Orange County he was seen playing about seven shots in a 150m long bunker instead of going back to the fairway. Could be his year if he keeps out of the bunkers. Won at Burntisland and was 2<sup>nd</sup> at Gullane last year. We think he is poised.

**8. Tim Rollinson**, another golfer from the Craigmillar Park stable just back from honeymoon so may be tired (or invigorated)? Hits a long ball and the longer courses may suit him. A strategic player who is dangerous off 12 strokes. May well hold back until later in the week and do a famous Jack Nicklaus type charge to win the trophy. Was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at Marrakech on 2011 and equal 3<sup>rd</sup> on the autumn tour to Northumberland.

**9. Nigel Cumming**, yet another golfer from Craigmillar Park who appear not to have a very competent handicap secretary! Nigel is the dark horse. He can race up the field at any time. He is capable of single figure handicap play and can string together long runs of pars and birdies. Currently off 20, he must be the favourite this week. Nigel came in 2<sup>nd</sup> equal at Vilamoura in 2010 and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Vilamoura in 2012. He can taste victory and has the staying power over long courses. Odds are short, a certain place and the best prospect for an outright win.

**10. Duncan MacCuish**, yet another golfer from Craigmillar Park. His handicap has increased over the past couple of seasons but he has still not found the floor! Often quoted as saying he subsidises golf for all his playing partners with his “sweep donations”, his track record on tour has not been much to write home about. Worthy winner at Charleton last May. Hits a great 3 wood off the fairway but short game needs practice. Odds are long; better to bet each way and hope for a place.

**11. Hugh Somerville**, yet another golfer from Craigmillar Park, ex of Kinross so used to long courses. Handicap rising slowly but a meticulous and competitive golfer. Always a good outside chance with such a fine track record. It should be noted that Hugh is playing with hired clubs this week – might this influence his game? Hugh came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Mallorca 2004; 2<sup>nd</sup> in Costa Brava 2007, 1<sup>st</sup> equal in Mallorca 2006, 1<sup>st</sup> Florida 2007, 1<sup>st</sup> in Mallorca 2010 but not seen in the foreign tour places since then. Runner up last year on the Kilspindie outing. If odds are good a bet on the nose might be worth a punt.

**12. Graham Jackson**, the unknown, yet another from Craigmillar Park but his first tour with WMGC. Plays off a commendable 9 and looks fit. Time will tell but we think he may be the young pretender. Worth an each way bet if the odds are good.

*Footnote: - So how did it pan out? Results overleaf – it was Philip Bell!*

Appendix 5 – A typical tour score sheet

WMGC Mallorca Score Sheet											Spring Tour 2013			
											5 day Event			
Sunday	21/04/2013	Santa Ponsa 11:12	Points	Cum.	Cum.	Position	Team		No. of	Prizes				
H'Cap Start	Par 72 6543m	Stableford Points	(1-12)	Points	St. Points	after Rd 1	A/B/C	Team Winners	2's	£'s				
7	Mike	26	8	8	26	5	A	A-110		3				
17	Bob	27	10	10	27	3	A			5				
10	Les	30	12	12	30	1	A			9				
20	David	27	9	9	27	4	A			3				
22	Dimitris	17	1	1	17	12	B	B 91						
10	Jim	22	3	3	22	10	B							
15	Philip	26	7	7	26	6	B							
12	Tim	24	5	5	24	8	B							
20	Nigel	28	11	11	28	2	C	C 97		4				
19	Duncan	22	4	4	22	9	C							
13	Hugh	25	6	6	25	7	C							
9	Graham	21	2	2	21	11	C							
										24				
Monday	22/04/2013	Son Vida 11:34	Points	Cum.	Cum.	Position	Team		No. of	Prizes				
H'Cap Start	Par 72 5972m	Stableford Points	(1-12)	Points	St. Points	after Rd 2	A/B/C	Team Winners	2's	£'s				
7	Mike	35	12	20	61	1	A	A-118	1	16				
16	Bob	28	5	15	55	3	A		1	10				
25	Dimitris	29	7	8	46	11	A							
18	Nigel	26	1	12	54	9	A		1	10				
7	Les	28	3	15	58	2	B	B-116						
11	Jim	31	10	13	53	5	B			2				
15	Philip	27	2	9	53	10	B							
19	Duncan	30	9	13	52	5	B							
20	David	28	4	13	55	5	C	C-120		3				
12	Tim	30	8	13	54	5	C		1	13				
13	Hugh	33	11	17	58	2	C			7				
11	Graham	29	6	8	50	11	C		1	13				
										74				
Tuesday	23/04/2013	Son Quint 11:33	Points	Cum.	Cum.	Position	Team		No. of	Prizes				
H'Cap Start	Par 72 5929m	Stableford Points	(1-12)	Points	St. Points	after Rd 3	A/B/C	Team Winners	2's	£'s				
4	Mike	25	1	21	86	2	A	A-104						
16	Bob	28	4	19	83	7	A							
10	Jim	25	2	15	78	12	A							
11	Hugh	26	3	20	84	5	A							
8	Les	35	11	26	93	1	B	B-130		7				
25	Dimitris	33	10	18	79	8	B			5				
12	Tim	30	8	21	84	2	B			3				
11	Graham	32	9	17	82	11	B			3				
20	David	28	5	18	83	8	C	C-127						
17	Philip	36	12	21	89	2	C			6				
21	Nigel	28	6	18	82	8	C		1	10				
19	Duncan	29	7	20	81	5	C							
										34				
Thursday	25/04/2013	Son Muntaner 11:50	Points	Cum.	Cum.	Position	Team		No. of	Prizes				
H'Cap Start	Par 72 6347m	Stableford Points	(1-12)	Points	St. Points	after Rd 4	A/B/C	Team Winners	2's	£'s				
7	Mike	22	4	25	108	8	A	A-98						
24	Dimitris	19	1	19	98	12	A							
12	Tim	22	5	26	106	7	A							
19	Duncan	24	8	28	105	4	A							
16	Bob	20	2	21	103	10	B	B-106		4				
14	Philip	31	10	31	120	2	B			2				
12	Hugh	31	11	31	115	2	B							
11	Graham	24	7	24	106	9	B							
6	Les	23	6	32	116	1	C	C-107		3				
20	David	26	9	27	109	5	C			3				
12	Jim	37	12	27	115	5	C			9				
21	Nigel	21	3	21	103	10	C			3				
										24				
Friday	26/04/2013	Bendinat 11:30	Points	Cum.	Cum.	Position	Team		No. of	Prizes				
H'Cap Start	Par 70 5660m	Stableford Points	(1-12)	Points	St. Points	after Rd 5	A/B/C	Team Winners	2's	£'s				
7	Mike	25	6	31	133	7	A	A-111		3				
9	Jim	32	12	39	147	2nd	A			29				
13	Philip	30	11	42	150	1st	A			37				
11	Graham	24	5	29	130	9	A			3				
18	Bob	17	2	23	120	12	B	B-81						
12	Tim	8	1	27	114	10	B							
22	Nigel	29	9	30	132	8	B							
19	Duncan	27	8	36	132	4	B			8				
6	Les	19	4	36	135	4	C	C-94						
20	David	29	10	37	138	3rd	C			12				
27	Dimitris	27	7	26	125	11	C			4				
10	Hugh	19	3	34	134	6	C							

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Stakes: See Stakes & Rules Pot = £252 Prizes: See Stakes & Rules

H'cap adjustments : Winner cut 3 shots, 2nd cut 2, 3rd cut 1. Last gets 3 shots, 2nd last gets 2, 3rd last gets 1.

## Appendix 6

### List of Tours:

2003 Ballyliffin	2004 Mallorca	2005 Costa Brava
2006 Mallorca	2007 Costa Brava	2008 Florida
2009 Mallorca	2010 Vilamoura	2011 Marrakech
2012 Vilamoura	2013 Mallorca	2014 Tavira
2015 Puerto Banus	2016 Albufeira	2017 Mallorca
2018 Cyprus		



Figure 21 Vale da Pinta, Albufeira, Algarve April 2016

(left to right)

Philip Bell, Michael McFee, David Booth, Duncan MacCuish, Hugh Somerville, Jim Ross. Les Sibbald, Nigel Cumming

Appendix 7

West Mayfield Golf Club Office Bearers

Year	Hon President	President	Captain	Vice-Captain	Hon Secretary & Treasurer
1904					D J Sutherland
1905	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	J A Kessen		J A Ross
1906	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	D J Sutherland		J A Ross
1907	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	G M Crawford		M Lee
1908	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	G M Crawford		M Lee
1909	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	D W Ireland		C R Gray
1910	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	D W Ireland		C R Gray
1911	Rev Lewis Davidson	W Geoghegan	J Alexander		C R Gray
1912	Rev J Lorimer Munro	W Geoghegan	J Alexander		R T Wood
1913	Rev J Lorimer Munro	W Geoghegan	D Rainy Brown		R T Wood
1914	Rev J Lorimer Munro	R Wood	D Rainy Brown		J D Mackintosh
1920	Rev J Lorimer Munro	R Wood	D Rainy Brown		J D Mackintosh
1921	Rev J Lorimer Munro	J Alexander	Dr R H Blaikie		J D Mackintosh
1922	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr R H Blaikie	Dr J Young		J D Mackintosh
1923	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr R H Blaikie	Dr J Young		J D Mackintosh
1924	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr R H Blaikie	J D Mackintosh		A D Grant
1925	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr R H Blaikie	J D Mackintosh		W M Kennedy
1926	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr R H Blaikie	J R Scott		W M Kennedy
1927	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr J Young	J R Scott		J D Mackintosh & A Green
1928	Rev J Lorimer Munro	Dr J Young	Rev. Professor H Watt		J D Mackintosh
1929	Rev J Lorimer Munro & Rev J K Thomson	J R Scott	Rev. Professor H Watt		D C Marchbank
1930	Rev J K Thomson	J R Scott	G W Wight	W H Kennedy	A D Scott
1931	Rev J K Thomson	J R Scott	W M Kennedy		A D Scott
1932	Rev J K Thomson	J R Scott	J S Adam		A D Scott
1933	Rev J K Thomson	Dr J Young	J S Adam		A H Elder
1934	Rev J K Thomson	Dr J Young	J Hay Smith		A H Elder
1935	Rev J K Thomson	Dr J Young	J Hay Smith		R Brown
1936	Rev J K Thomson	Dr J Young	A D Scott		R Brown
1937	Rev J K Thomson	J Hay Smith	A D Scott		G J Westwater
1938	Rev J K Thomson	J Hay Smith	A H Elder		G J Westwater
1939	Rev J K Thomson	J Hay Smith	A H Elder		G J Westwater
1947	Rev J K Thomson	J Hay Smith	A R Reid		A H Elder
1948	Rev D Ross	J Hay Smith	A R Reid		A H Elder
1949	Rev D Ross	J Hay Smith	A R Reid		A H Elder
1950	Rev D Ross	A R Reid	A D Hunter		G Bernard
1951	Rev D Ross	A R Reid	A D Hunter		W S Kenneth
1952	Rev D Ross	A D Hunter	G D Robertson		W S Kenneth
1953	Rev D Ross	A D Hunter	G D Robertson		W S Kenneth
1954	Rev J A Whyte	Dr G Robertson	G M Cassie	W S Kenneth	W S Kenneth
1955	Rev J A Whyte	G M Cassie	J S Scott	W S Kenneth	W S Kenneth
1956	Rev J A Whyte	T D Scott	W S Kenneth	J H Scobie	R G Hay Smith
1957	Rev J A Whyte	W S Kenneth	J H Scobie	A Rankin	R G Hay Smith
1958	Rev J A Whyte	J H Scobie	A Rankin	E Gray	R G Hay Smith
1959	Rev W J G McDonald	J H Scobie	A Rankin	T A Turnbull	R G Hay Smith
1960	Rev W J G McDonald	A Rankin	T A Turnbull	T B M Sloan	R G Hay Smith
1961	Rev W J G McDonald	A Rankin	T A Turnbull	T B M Sloan	R G Hay Smith
1962	Rev W J G McDonald	T A Turnbull	T B M Sloan	K A M Tomory	R G Hay Smith
1963	Rev W J G McDonald	T A Turnbull	T B M Sloan	K A M Tomory	R G Hay Smith
1964	Rev W J G McDonald	T B M Sloan	K A M Tomory	J H Alexander	R G Hay Smith
1965	Rev W J G McDonald	T B M Sloan	K A M Tomory	J H Alexander	R G Hay Smith
1966	Rev W J G McDonald	K A M Tomory	J H Alexander	J Grahamslaw	R G Hay Smith
1967	Rev W J G McDonald	K A M Tomory	J H Alexander	J Grahamslaw	R G Hay Smith

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1968	Rev W J G McDonald	J H Alexander	J Grahamslaw	D Stocks	R G Hay Smith	
1969	Rev W J G McDonald	J H Alexander	J Grahamslaw	D Stocks	R G Hay Smith	
1970	Rev W J G McDonald	J Grahamslaw	D Stocks	K D Thomson	R G Hay Smith	
1971	Rev W J G McDonald	J Grahamslaw	D Stocks	K D Thomson	R G Hay Smith	
1972	Rev W J G McDonald	D Stocks	K D Thomson	A N Ferrier	R G Hay Smith	
1973	Rev W J G McDonald	D Stocks	K D Thomson	A N Ferrier	A N Ferrier	
1974	Rev W J G McDonald	K D Thomson	A N Ferrier	G Allan	D Stocks	
1975	Rev W J G McDonald	K D Thomson	A N Ferrier	G Allan	D Stocks	G Allan
1976	Rev W J G McDonald	A N Ferrier	G Allan	A G Paul	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1977	Rev W J G McDonald	A N Ferrier	G Allan	A G Paul	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1978	Rev W J G McDonald	G Allan	A G Paul	R G Bartholomew	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1979	Rev W J G McDonald	G Allan	A G Paul	J A R Moffat	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1980	Rev W J G McDonald	A G Paul	J A R Moffat	A B Dobson	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1981	Rev W J G McDonald	A G Paul	J A R Moffat	A B Dobson	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1982	Rev W J G McDonald	A G Paul	A B Dobson	J E Brown	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1983	Rev W J G McDonald	A G Paul	A B Dobson	J E Brown	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1984	Rev W J G McDonald	A B Dobson	J E Brown	Dr N R Johnston	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1985	Rev W J G McDonald	A B Dobson	J E Brown	Dr N R Johnston	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1986	Rev W J G McDonald	J E Brown	Dr N R Johnston	R G Bartholomew	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1987	Rev W J G McDonald	J E Brown	Dr N R Johnston	R G Bartholomew	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1988	Rev W J G McDonald	Dr N R Johnston	R G Bartholomew	Dr D Booth	D Stocks	J H Alexander
1989	Rev W J G McDonald	Dr N R Johnston	R G Bartholomew	Dr D Booth	D Stocks	A G Paul
1990	Rev W J G McDonald	R G Bartholomew	Dr D Booth	J Lunn	D Stocks	A G Paul
1991	Rev W J G McDonald	R G Bartholomew	Dr D Booth	J Lunn	D Stocks	A G Paul
1992	Rev W J G McDonald	Dr D Booth	J Lunn	J V Henderson	D Stocks	A G Paul
1993	Rev W J G McDonald	Dr D Booth	J Lunn	J V Henderson	J V Henderson	A G Paul
1994		J Lunn	J V Henderson	J M Ross	J Lunn	A G Paul
1995	Rev A Young	J Lunn	J V Henderson	J M Ross	J Lunn	A G Paul
1996	Rev A Young	J V Henderson	J M Ross	B Hosie	J Lunn	J V Henderson
1997	Rev A Young	J V Henderson	J M Ross	B Hosie	J Lunn	B Hosie
1998	Rev A Young	J M Ross	B Hosie	A Robertson	J M Ross	H Somerville
1999	Rev A Young	J M Ross	B Hosie	A Robertson	J M Ross	H Somerville
2000	Rev S McKenna	B Hosie	A Robertson	B Cupples	J M Ross	H Somerville
2001	Rev S McKenna	B Hosie	A Robertson	B Cupples	J M Ross	H Somerville
2002	Rev S McKenna	A Robertson	B Cupples	M McFee	J M Ross	H Somerville
2003	Rev S McKenna	A Robertson	B Cupples	M McFee	B Hosie	H Somerville
2004	Rev S McKenna	B Cupples	M McFee	H Somerville	B Hosie	H Somerville
2005	Rev S McKenna	B Cupples	M McFee	H Somerville	B Hosie	H Somerville
2006	Rev S McKenna	M McFee	H Somerville	D Booth	B Cupples	H Somerville
2007	Rev S McKenna	M McFee	H Somerville	D Booth	B Cupples	K Capewell
2008	Rev S McKenna	H Somerville	D Booth	I Beckett	B Cupples	K Capewell
2009	Rev S McKenna	H Somerville	D Booth	I Beckett	B Cupples	K Capewell
2010	Rev S McKenna	D Booth	I Beckett	L Sibbald	B Cupples	K Capewell
2011	Rev S McKenna	D Booth	I Beckett	L Sibbald	B Cupples	K Capewell
2012	Rev S McKenna	I Beckett	L Sibbald	D Magliveras	M McFee	K Capewell
2013	Rev S McKenna	I Beckett	L Sibbald	D Magliveras	M McFee	I Beckett
2014	Rev S McKenna	L Sibbald	D Magliveras	N Cumming	M McFee	I Beckett
2015	Rev S McKenna	L Sibbald	D Magliveras	N Cumming	M McFee	I Beckett
2016	Rev S McKenna	D Magliveras	N Cumming	T Rollinson	M McFee	I Beckett
2017	Rev S McKenna	D Magliveras	N Cumming	T Rollinson	M McFee	I Beckett
2018	Rev S McKenna	N Cumming	T Rollinson	D MacCuish	M McFee	I Beckett