## **Society of Hertfordshire Golf Captains**

## **Secretaries Guidance Notes for Meetings & Matches**

MEETINGS ~ please ensure your preferred Christian name is stated on the entry forms plus full details of Partners when required. All members requesting to play in our meetings last year were accommodated and the aim is the same for this year. If there are too many entries for any one fixture, we will have to ballot for the last 25% of entries received. However, because of the current average numbers, except for the Autumn Meeting and the Xmas Fayre, the closing dates are around one week prior to the Meeting day. Members, who find themselves unexpectedly available after the closing date, are reminded to contact me and I will do my best to accommodate you if possible. It is helpful if you are playing to arrive for lunch by 12.00 noon. If you have to cry off on the day, please phone the host club as per the Tel. number on the start sheet or in exceptional circumstances please call my mobile on 07711 018117

REQUEST FROM THE OFFICE ~ please write on the back of your cheque(s) what the payment is for. Don't forget to advise me if you are unable to play at meetings – refunds can usually be agreed if notice is received 48 before the day. If paying by BACS you MUST also send an email to me at sohgc@yahoo.com. Matches ~ it is our policy to try to ensure that all members applying will have the opportunity to play in at least one match. We received over 90 requests last year and allowing for some members crying off, after being selected, only a couple of applicants were not chosen to play in at least one match. As always, I am most grateful to all members who have played in matches and in particular those who have turned out at very short notice. Equally if you are selected for a match please confirm your availability as soon as possible – if you are a reserve there is always a very good chance you will be needed, hence the reason why reserves are selected.

DRESS CODE ~ I would also like to remind all members that we do have a strict dress code in relation to society shirts, jumpers, and ties being worn at our matches and events, with Jackets and society ties being mandatory when attending a formal meal as part of the fixture. Sadly, on occasions recently this has not been the case. We are a well-established society with a membership of over 500 and whilst we do need to adapt and move on as we enter another decade one of our traditions has been our dress code and it would be a shame for that to falter now after over 50 years.

I look forward to meeting you at one of the events during the year. Eric W Diment Hon Secretary 30.01.2020