

Committee Minutes for November 7th, 2017.

1. **Present:** Nigel Teale, Andy Peet, Les Facer, Tony Pawson, Robin Marling, Mike Travis, Peter Kirton, David Fawbert **Apologies:** Dave Anderson, Allan Davies

Previous Minutes/ Matters arising

- **Presentation Evening** Nov 25th: the names of the major Seniors' competition winners had been forwarded to the Presentation Evening organisers;
- **Website** Review: AP was thanked for completing his update;
- Senior Captain's Car Parking space: no progress reported; DF would seek further clarification from the Chairman;
- Mixed Open of September 18th: well run but depleted take-up confirmed the need to replace it in 2018 with a **Mixed AmAm**, format confirmed as a 2/2 mix 1 to score from each side
- online booking review and updates: see below
- **International Match**: there was general satisfaction with the way things had unfolded
- **Winter friendlies**: proposals of MT's paper (below) to be woven into the calendar;

Secretary's Business

- MT produced a paper summarising and clarifying **match and tee arrangements** that would obviate constant referral to H&C; he would be submitting it at their next meeting;
- DF had circulated a **reconciliation paper** summarising income and expenditure for the 4 **2017 Opens'** and based on start-sheets; Office figures showed wide divergences that TP was currently discussing with the Office; he reported that beyond small differences outside figures were falling into line with our own;
- DF's paper suggested (subject to minor change) **total income** of £9907 **and principal expenditures**: Green fees to WGC £4265; Caterers £2822; Prizes £2070 ;
- **online transaction charges** had generated huge challenge and confusion for all involved;
- in view of this DF cautioned H&C against over-hasty decisions based on initial findings and urged 'no-change' to arrangements for 2018;
- **Club Opens' meeting**: RM reported on discussions and proposals mooted by the Opens' Committee;
- following that meeting RM had acquired the spread-sheet that fed the meeting;
- the issues that emerged led to a comprehensive consideration of Seniors' role for 2018; committee agreed the following statement to be forwarded to H&C chair and Board chairman:

Seniors' committee considered its own financial reconciliation document for 2017 and received a summary of the Open's meeting proposals of October 2017.

- **Seniors accept the change to online booking and have no wish to return to a paper system;**
- **managing and running Senior Opens on behalf of the Club cannot be achieved without Office involvement as at present; it is hoped that acceptance of online booking will allow this to continue in 2018;**
- **Seniors do not consider it unfair or unethical to end up in surplus, indeed they need to ensure they do not slip into deficit;**

- Seniors would not be willing to organise and run Opens in 2018 without retaining the ability to plan their own expenditure based on anticipated income;

Seniors would like to continue to run Opens that benefit the whole club: Pro shop (prize vouchers); bar (all drinks are separate from meal vouchers); caterers (who add immensely to the expectations of Senior golfers and the Club's reputation with visitors).

- **Annual Dinner:** DF outlined the arrangements and predicted a smooth and efficient service; there were 79 diners including a Guest speaker;
- **Christmas Lunch** and presentations: AP indicated that all arrangements were in hand
- **AGM** of February 2018
- **Priority to seek a Vice Captain for AP:** *subsequent to the meeting AP indicated he would present a nomination to the pre-AGM committee meeting for approval;*
- DF will publish standard AGM documentation;
- PK will take his place when Officer changes are announced and minute the meeting;

Treasurer's Business

TP produced the following data:

The current healthy bank balance would permit pending commitments: Birthdays;

Christmas gratuities to staff; Honorariums; Clubhouse Honours Board

TP anticipated a surplus settlement from the Club in respect of Opens;

Current membership stands at 125

Captain's Business: nil

Incoming Captain's Business:

- AP indicated that the Fixture list was confirmed;
- DF agreed to forward the template for next year's Seniors' Fixture list;

Any Other Business: nil

Date of next meeting

- a meeting on **Tuesday January 16th** will iron out AGM issues

David Fawbert, November 12th 2017.