

Minutes of Committee Meeting of June 28 2016 at 10:00.

The Secretary regretted his presence: he was 15 minutes late and had made countless typos!

1. **Present:** Les Facer , Dave Anderson, Allan Davies, David Fawbert, Robin Marling, Tony Pawson (TP), Andy Peet (AP), Nigel Teale; David Wood;
2. **Apologies:** John Williams;
3. **Previous Minutes/Matters arising:**
 - **emergency procedures:** Committee was pleased that the issue had been promoted at Club level and resulted in full information made available initially for Seniors;
 - **dedicated car-space** update: Colin Lowe had taken the issue to the Board; the request was turned down; the Board was committed to fewer dedicated spaces rather than more;
 - **Opens Prizes;** DF explained that the WGC pro was happy with an arrangement that enabled outside winners to use their club pro; WGC winners would continue to redeem prizes via the Proshop here;
 - **drinking fountain** update (TP): the fountain was in place and linked to wáter supply; it would be operational within the fortnight; subsequent to the meeting DF mailed Micael Hanna (MH) about the issue raised by DW as regards wáter quality;
 - current **Office arrangements:** MH indicated that he would update Seniors' committee re future office developments; the committee wished its very positive opinion of Sarah's replacement, Judi, to be recorded;
 - **'us/them'** meeting: MH had also confirmed he would set up a liaison meeting;
4. **Secretary's Business**
 - **fixtures 2017-8;** DF tabled current progress and positive replies emanating already from recipient clubs;
 - **Senior Section :** RM reported sectional progress as satisfactory before outlining developments at ...
 - **Handicaps and Comps** committee: consideration of a New Members' evening of unspecified date; Autumn Diary meeting t.b.a.; request for a second Seniors' rep taken up by **David Wood**; desire to increase number of Club mid-weeks irrespective of Seniors' schedule (to RM's frustration); mid-weeks' prize funds and Divisions were baffling (31 - participants > 1 div; 31 to 70 > 2 divs; 70+ > 3 divs but without prize differentials (!); 7 successive cards out of buffer-zone to trigger handicap review but without obligation;
 - **internal comps :** AP reported that he had arbitrated where games missed deadlines and had awarded w/overs; ensuing discussion sought to define responsibility for arranging matches and subsequent carrying the can of disqualification; AP could and would use his wise discretion;
 - recommendations for **Vice-captaincy 2017:** Nigel recommended David Wood who was prepared to be nominated; this was ratified by those present; ensuing discussion explored the dynamics of the nomination: its source; the stages involved; whether a policy should be woven into the Constitution; DF explained that Past Captain lunches had been discontinued but omitted to say that P/Cs were sounded out over the phone before committee's recommendation reached AGM;
 - LF recommended the appointment of a **Junior Vice** to help at busy periods; it was agreed to discuss this in greater depth at the September committee;

2016 Opens: current state-of-play:

- July 14 **Open Pairs:** full; Committee endorsed the use of $\frac{3}{4}$ hcp as published in original documentation;
- August 5 **Am/Am:** full
- Sept 19 **Mixed Open:** currently 55% full

Forthcoming events:

- **July 11 Senior Captain's Away Day:** LF outlined his arrangements and listened to supportive comments/ questions; he was confident he would provide an excellent day's golf and post-golf as well as negotiating any predictable or non-predictable grumpiness (!)
- **July 14 Seniors' Open Pairs:** DF was very happy with progress made; just a couple of management slots to fill (AD kindly volunteered to fill one of them); prize fund had been agreed with TP; the bottom-line would show an overall profit to the Section;
- **LF and NT** made themselves available to accompany pairs stranded by no-shows;
- August 5 Am/Am: DF would pursue his usual process; **RM** and **TP** declared themselves available on the day;
- **Mixed Open** (Sep 19): DF indicated he could not be present on the day; he would set up the Open; **RM** and **TP** undertook to run the event in DF's absence;

5. **Treasurer's Business** AP reports as follows:

- Current Bank Balance:£1866.38; Cash £ 76.18; **Total** £1942.56
- in addition £100 is lodged with the pro from **Tankard 1**. As was the case last year the entire proceeds from the 4 tankards, less the cost of 4 tankards will be distributed in prize money;
- Judi has a further £96 due to Seniors Fund from 2016 **Open Singles** (Open Pairs, AmAm and Open Mixed to come);
- currently we have 126 **paid up members** = £630 Last year 142 members = £710. As a result of the forthcoming Captains Away day I expect a further increase in members; I am currently holding £995.20 from Away Day participants;
- making reasonable allowance for forthcoming income from Open Pairs, AmAm and Open Mixed and deducting anticipated expenses before the end of the year I estimate that our **closing balance** will be around £1500 compared with last year at £2120. The principle difference being the water fountain (cost £880);

6. **Captain's Business:**

- LF reported very good **match results**;

7. **Incoming Captain's Business:**

- NT has chosen **Fulford Heath** as his venue for next year's away-day at an estimated cost below £50 per head (Monday July 10 2017);

8. AOB: within the context of Seniors' competitions the desirability of a **register of mobile phones** was raised as a facilitator to making arrangements more easily; it was noted that members happy to share their cellphone numbers were recorded in Diary and Club database; no decision was reached

9. **Date of next Meeting: Sept 6th at 10 am** to allow consideration of

- **International Match** (Oct 20) **AP** and **DA** would share the chores of finding captains and negotiating tee times with the club; whilst the advertising and promotion of the even would follow standard practice **AP** was invited to tinker with on-the-day arrangements to refresh the competition; it was noted that the cup awarded after the event had not been engraved for some years;
- **Annual Dinner** (Nov 11): DF agreed to assemble promotional paperwork and a menu; he would seek to hold the price at £20 per head; take-up figures will determine the balance of accounts (70+ diners must be the target); guest list to be confirmed; there were numerous offers of support from committee to be finalized at next committee along with the list of invitees;
- **Champ of Champs** (Dec 7): **AP** had agreed to front the event;

- **Xmas Lunch** (Thurs Dec 15): arrangements deferred to the Sept committee meeting including the format of the competition and list of Captain's Prize recipients for completion after Tankard 4 and Senior comps;

David Fawbert, June 28, 2016.