

## The Worcestershire GC Seniors Section AGM

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 @2pm

### Minutes

#### A Moments Silence for Passed Members

- 1) The Captain and 27 Seniors Members were in attendance. Apologies were received from John Pooley and David Radley.
- 2) Minutes of AGM Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 were accepted as a true record of the meeting and no matters arising.
- 3) The Captain had an enjoyable 2 years and appreciated all the support from the committee and especially Steve Johnson the Vice Captain.  
As usual Robin Marling and Paul Barker made excellent arrangements for the Seniors Opens. The Captain is very happy with the tee booking system. However a Seniors Member was concerned that after the large majority of the club membership voted for a booking system there appeared to be a section of the membership wanting to change this. A show of hands indicated that, of those assembled, there was a very large majority in favour of the tee booking system.  
The board approved 1 Seniors Slot per month.
- 4) Treasurers Report  
The final bank and cash balance was £2539.97 and a show of hands approved acceptance of the Seniors Section Income and Expenditure Statement of accounts year ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. There were 141 annual subscriptions of £5 each to become a Seniors Member.
- 5) Seniors Competitions Secretary's Report  
Les Facer took over from Mike Travis as Competitions Secretary. Les appreciated mikepassing on his advice and previous paperwork for all the competitions.  
The Seniors Competitions start each year with the Yarworth Cup (individual knockout). The first round losers enter The Yarworth Plate.  
These are followed by Fraser Tankards, Corless Goblets and 4 Seniors Tankards.  
All competitions have been well supported.  
Winners of all Seniors competitions enter The Champion of Champions competition.  
The international Match was postponed until 7<sup>th</sup> November because of the Queen's State Funeral. At least 42 Seniors take part in this event each year.
- 6) Election of Officers and Committee Members.  
The following were proposed and seconded on block :  
Captain – Steve Johnson, Vice Captain – John Pooley, Treasurer – Andy Peet, Secretary John Davison. Competitions Secretary – Les Facer, Seniors Opens – Robin Marling,  
Immediate Past Captain – Andrew Whiteley, Members – Nigel Teale and Barry Page.
- 7) Address By Incoming Captain  
Thank you, I am honoured that you have shown faith in me to take over from Andrew. I would like to say thanks to Andrew for staying on as Seniors Captain for a second year to allow me to gain experience within the seniors committee and attending matches more regularly.  
  
Also I am grateful to John Pooley for stepping into the Vice-Captain's role. In this role he will take over the Seniors team selection from me.

Finally I would like to thank other members of the committee who have given advice and encouragement in the last year.

#### Inter -Club Matches

The seniors matches have been very enjoyable this year with most being played amicably and in good weather conditions. As it has been said the matches are great for the social aspect of them and the results are secondary. If you are one of those you will not want to hear that the results have been very good this year in that we have :

Won 13

Drawn 7

Lost 5

One match was cancelled due to the rearranged trip to Hawkstone Park and the match against the Ladies all in the same week.

One match was rearranged due to our inability to raise a team.

Next year we will again use the Club V1 system, assuming the club continues to use it, to communicate both ways between the team organisers and the members. We would appreciate members updating their availability on Club V1 as soon as they are aware of their change in circumstances. We understand that changes will occur from time to time. It is very frustrating when a team is picked from available players, pairing arranged, emails sent only to receive replies saying the player has made other arrangements. Also we have several occasions when reserves have been drafted into the team, pairings adjusted and notified only for them to say that as they were not originally picked they made other arrangements. Reserves are an important part of the team. Members have expressed a wish to be advised as soon as possible the team so that they can plan ahead. We understand this but in doing so there is more time for circumstances to change and more time players have to withdraw due to changes in circumstances. A balance has to be struck.

#### My Away Day

My away day will be at Enville GC on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023, it is in the club diary and Team Up. We have reserved the Lodge Course with ten tee times over 90 minutes. So the maximum number of players will be 40. I have heard nothing but high praise for the club and hope we can fill all tee times. There will be a sign up sheet, which will have full details, put up and advertised in good time. If it is oversubscribed then there will be a reserve list in case of withdrawals.

Seniors Membership is now open for the coming year and I know a number of players have already renewed. One or two prospective new members have contacted me in the last couple of weeks which is encouraging.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a good winters' golf and a great season in 2023.

Thank you