

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tues 10th January 2023

Attendees : Rob Hinson, Andy Meredith, Tom Fleming, Gill Lane, Toni Prince, Helen Lake, Bernie Martin, Andy Storer, Gemma Chandler, Giles Bennet.

1. Apologies - Jazz Kang, Clive Richards, Nigel Roberts-Green.
2. Minutes of last meeting : Approved.

Items C/F

- a. Captains Jackets - Club Captain and Ladies Captain reimbursed . Senior Captain not present, to be confirmed.
- b. Committee away day for 2022.
17th of March 2023 chosen, TF to organise.
- c. 9 hole stableford, to be trialed on 29th Jan.
- d. Boards update in bar - AS under impression should be completed in next 2 weeks.
- e. Meetings in Avon Room - Good for this meeting, as available going forward.

3. General Managers Report.

- a. A 10% add on offered for bar card top ups in Jan and Feb when adding £100 or more. Also entry to draw to win bottle of champagne.
Tom to send email to members.
- b. No active progressions on sale of DG.
- c. Due to poor attendance in 2022 event, Christmas Ball for 2023 needs early discussion and organisation.

4. Director of Golf Report.

Membership fees for 2023 will have some small increases.

Still some nominal investment in golf course, despite pending sale.
New hand mowers due in April, 2 new greens staff being employed.

OOB on the 12th Fairway, when playing the 11th to be reinstated.

Clearing of trees on 13th made significant improvements to fairway drying.
Wire fence will be installed along boundary.

Course rating team due to visit in February to assess possible new tees etc.

5. Treasurers Report.

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Income & Expenditure Account

	Year to 31 October 2023	Year to 31 October 2022
Income		
Competitions Income	1,217.00	15,839.00
Card charges	(9.65)	(64.71)
Fines charged	-	8.00
Less: Vouchers	(805.00)	(9,960.00)
Prizegiving	(180.00)	(4,685.00)
	<u>(985.00)</u>	<u>(14,645.00)</u>
	222.35	1137.29
Turkey Trot shortfall	0.00	(50.00)
Club Ties	0.00	1.84
Interest received	8.32	7.98
Total Income	230.67	1097.11
Expenditure		
Berkshire Ladies comps	35.00	151.00
England Golf Ladies Medal	0.00	30.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	35.00	120.00
RDICL Scratch League	0.00	225.00
Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	210.00	195.00
Inter-club Challenge	0.00	0.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	300.00
Captains blazers	0.00	0.00
Clocks for Club Champs etc	0.00	0.00
Sponsorship	0.00	0.00
Memorial plaques	0.00	20.00
Bank charges	15.00	50.00
Sundry items*	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditure	295.00	1091.00
Profit/Loss	-64.33	6.11

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Charity Account 01625225

Total Interest received	10.97
Captains Drive-in Guess the distances	185.00
Ladies Xmas lunch Secret Santa donations	50.00

Total collected to date £ 245.97

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Balance Sheet

	31-Oct 2023	31-Oct 2022
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	752.17	97.17
Bank: deposit account	9149.20	10140.88
Debtors - Club ties 8 remaining	152.64	152.64
Competitions money due		1087.00
Total Current Assets	10054.01	11477.69
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving 2023	180.00	0.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2022	1642.72	2567.07
Accrued costs	300.00	300.00
Memorial Fund	0.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	135.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2022		750.00
Total Liabilities	2257.72	3617.07
Total Net Current Assets	7796.29	7860.62
General Fund brought forward	7860.62	7854.51
Profit/(Loss) for the year	-64.33	6.11
General Fund carried forward	7796.29	7860.62

Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 4th January 2023

Attendees: Bernie Martin, Steve Lillywhite, Jazz Kang, Steve Martin, Chris Webb,
Jools Black, Gill Lane, Rob Hinson, Andy Meredith

1. Apologies – Sandy Byfield
2. Minutes of Last Meeting – Approved.
3. Items Carried Forward
 - Champagne Roll Up – Graham Attridge and Geoff Kells gave a brief history of this competition. After some discussion it was agreed:
 - 9 hole Stableford competition.
 - Can be played outside of the roll up times.
 - Players can play the course before.
 - Non qualifying (there is the option to do a 9 hole EGU card)
 - Played off 95%
 - Bottle winners will be cut 1 shot for the next week they play
 - If they win consecutive bottles they will be cut twice.
 - Each round in which you fail to win will gradually reduce your hcp cut back to zero, a two time consecutive winner who then fails to win a bottle the next week will still have a one bottle cut applied the following week.
 - Handicap Review – JK progressed this.
 - No shows – nothing to report.
 - New Rules – Tom has sent a comprehensive email out.
4. Rota – OK.
5. Upcoming Competitions
 - 21st January 2023 - Robbie Burns, currently a qualifier, but weather dependant.
 - Winter Knockouts – some matches to be played before deadline 8th January.
6. Seniors – slow play document progressing.
7. AOB
 - GA has given some feedback from the Christmas party. Social committee to be advised.
 - Clash with football didn't help.
 - Dress code clarified (Black Tie or casual)
 - Announce dinner is served / Grace
 - Heads and tails fun comp
 - Collection for the staff
 - JK - queried if the monthly Stableford was a qualifier. Tom to decide.
 - AM - main committee has asked if the competition entry fees should be increased. GL - not needed at the moment.
 - GL - there is an EGU medal for Ladies (that we have known about). There is also one for the Men "Race to Woodhall Spa". £70 entry for both. Best score over four competitions. GL to action.
 - RH - needs to change some diary dates, possibly swap Parasampia and Charity day. Discuss with Tom.

- BM
 - Tom has suggested competition between Christmas and New Year should include food.
 - 10th June 2023, 30 year anniversary (needs to be promoted), texas scramble, to include food by James Smith, duck race, suggested entry fee £15, hotel will make a contribution.
 - Hillman details – sent to RH.
 - Ben Copeman has requested to play outside of zones in medal competitions. As these are drawn this cannot be accommodated. BM to let him know.
 - Subsequent item – request from main committee player’s rep, could we have 9 hole competitions in the Winter. This will be trialed on the last January Stableford – Sunday 29th January 2023 – and discussed at the next meeting.

8. Date of Next Meeting
Wednesday 1st February 2023, 7.30pm in the upstairs bar.

6. Competitions Secretary Report. As Above.

New rules briefly discussed, handicaps no longer have to be put on scorecards, however We should encourage players to do so.

Non qualifying casual rounds can and should be played from whichever tees are desired for the enjoyment of all participants.

The July Medal needs to be added to Diary on July 1st.

The Captains Plate to be moved to July 1st from 1pm, after medal.

The Captains Drive in to be moved to 11th November and the Monthly Stableford moved to 4th November.

The Captains Charity day to be moved to 9th September and the Parasampia cup moved to 16th September.

EG race to Woodhall Spa competition available to one Man and one Lady from the club with best 4 qualifiers from last year.

£70 total entry fees for both, all agreed.

Perhaps we should advertise for 2023.

7. Lady Captain and Social Committee Report.

Girls Golf Rocks initiative discussed.

Not practical to commit for only 1 female junior member of DG, due to possible coaching requirement. TP to forward info to TF.

Next social meeting on 17th January, Race night, 30 year anniversary and Christmas Ball on agenda.

Nigel and Adam invited and urged to attend.

Ladies Captain's Report – For Committee meeting Tuesday 10th January 2023

1. Ladies Christmas Get together

- 1.1 The Ladies Christmas Get-together 9 Holes and Buffet Lunch was held on 15th December and what a great day was had by all. It started out with Coffee, a fresh frosty 9 holes (but surprisingly warm) then back for Lunch.
- 1.2 A huge thank you to those that made the day go very smoothly and of course to Kim Richardson who very kindly agreed to be my Secret Santa in her wonderfully dressed up Buggy sitting in the cold on the 5th, joined by the Senior Captain, Clive Richards and Mike Pritchard passing on lovely warm mince pies and mulled wine - very enjoyable.
- 1.3 Many thanks also to Deborah Goodsell for donating a beautiful homemade Christmas Cake which made £20 in an Auction. Likewise to those who did not want to participate in the Secret Santa but instead donated funds to Charity. In all the Charity Donations were £50.
- 1.4 Many congratulations to everyone that entered but specifically the following Ladies:
 - 1.4.1 Main Golf Comp: First place —Zhana Powers
 - 1.4.2 Secret Partners —Jan Torrance & Lydia Rayne
 - 1.4.3 Guess the Secret Santa – it was rather funny reading the names of the guessed Santa, however, 5 Ladies guessed it was Kim.
 - 1.4.4 Just for Fun—Guess the twist — Oh Deer Oh DEAR Oh Deer, unfortunately no one won this...The twist was a Lady who 3 Putts wears the Reindeer Antlers. If a tie, then the one who ever closest before their 1st putt got the spoils. Hence the reason for ladies wearing the Antlers in the pictures below
 - 1.4.5 Best Dressed — Jules Culley & of course Kim Richardson A very short (5 Questions) Christmas Quiz, where answers were to be shouted out and the first lady to call a correct answer won a small gift.
 - 1.4.6 We also played a DAFT pass the parcel game. The objective as you can guess is to win the gift that was wrapped. However, to make that a little harder, the first Lady had to ensure they threw a double (dice) whilst the lady next to her had to place a silly hat on her head and where possible wear oven gloves and try to unwrap the gift (which consisted of Wrapping Paper, Foil & Cling Film). Such a laugh!
 - 1.4.7 A very short (5 Questions) Christmas Quiz, where answers were to be shouted out and the first lady to call won a small gift.
 - 1.4.8 A huge thank you to Adam, Nigel and Jo, the Buffet was a great success.

2. Berkshire County Ladies Golf Association (BCLGA) – Delegates Meeting

- 2.1 Debbie Goodsell and Bernie Martin will be attending the next delegates meeting which will be held on Wednesday 22nd March 2023 at 10.30am at Maidenhead Golf Club. It will be slightly longer than usual, possibly up to 2 hours, as England Golf have released a WHS Refresher Presentation for County Handicap Advisors to share with their clubs.
- 2.2 I am in receipt of the 2023 AGM Agenda, 2022 AGM Minutes & the BCLGA Annual Report if anyone wishes a copy to be emailed to them.

3. Berkshire County Ladies Golf Association (BCLGA) – Girls Golf Rocks

- 3.1 I have been forwarded an email with regards to inviting applications from affiliated Golf Clubs keen to inspire a new generation of girl golfers for the 2023 Girls Golf Rocks Programme.

- 3.2 The programme is in its 7th year and BCLGA are looking for us to spread the word and make sure we take the opportunity to get involved in 2023 regardless of whether we as a club or our junior ladies have taken part before.
- 3.3 Clubs must be willing to stage two six-week blocks of coaching for beginner girls in the 5-18 age bracket.
- 3.4 The participant fee is £40.
- 3.5 The closing date for applications is 5th February 2023 and all successful applicants will be informed from w/c 20 February 2023.
- 3.6 Further information can be issued via Email, and perhaps this can be discussed at the Meeting.

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Social Committee Report - January 2023

1. Christmas Ball

- 1.1 Xmas Ball was held on 10th December, with only 52 participants. Numerous feedback regarding the evening with many stating it clashed with the Football.
- 1.2 For future Xmas Ball, it would be good to advertise the event much sooner than October, so perhaps we should start to advertise at the end of August.
- 1.3 It was also brought to my attention that the following should occur at the next Christmas Ball:
 - 1.3.1 the Dress Code is to be clarified, albeit it did state on the advert "Black Tie or Dress to Impress"
 - 1.3.2 to announce when dinner is to be served and perhaps Grace to be said prior to eating
 - 1.3.3 Heads & Tails fun comp which helps raise funds for the Captains Charity
 - 1.3.4 Collection for the staff

2. 30 Year Anniversary

- 2.1 A Social Committee meeting is to be held on Tuesday 17 January to further discuss this event.
- 2.2 The event will occur on Saturday 10th June 2023 with a suggested entry fee of £15.00pp. (Does this include food and if so, will the food be open to visiting families and at what cost?)
- 2.3 Texas Scramble (0900?)
- 2.4 Food to be provided by James Smith (BBQ)
- 2.5 Duck Race
- 2.6 Further events to be discussed at the next Social committee meeting to be held on Tuesday 17 January 2023.

3. Social Committee Members:

- 3.1 Lady Captain
- 3.2 Lady Vice Captain
- 3.3 Club Captain
- 3.4 Tim Brunsden
- 3.5 Ann Maisey
- 3.6 Tom Fleming
- 3.7 Suggested: Geoff Kells
- 3.8 Suggested: Adam (Events Team)
- 3.9 Tom Fleming

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8. Senior Captains Report.

Senior Captain away - nothing to report.

9. Members Questions.

Concerns over sale of club and perceived lack of investment may lead to some members leaving this April, when renewals are due.

Several member complaints about no service from bar on morning of 27th December for Winter Scramble, and the halfway hut being closed on the same day.

Further complaint regarding bar closing at 1pm on Christmas Eve, with players on the golf course.

Is the shoe cleaner being fixed. TF yes it is.

Some concern over players ignoring trollies on paths only rule.
Any offenders to be reported to Proshop.

Many positive comments from members regarding the greens and the good work the grounds staff have done with them.

TF requested to know which groups of players members comments come from.

10. AOB.

GL - Two members are sadly recently deceased, Plaques required for bench.

TF - We need to start sending out monthly newsletters, bullet point info to be provided
To TF at each monthly meeting from Captains, leagues, socials etc.

TF - Champagne roll up starting again in April, 95% handicap table to be posted on board

TF - Par 3 competition to be arranged for Masters week. Perhaps incorporate non golfing partners for putting ?

GB - Can 9 hole comps be set up as qualifiers. Yes when weather improves.

BM - Robbie Burns qualifying or not.

Decided to leave as qualifying for now and assess nearer date if required to alter.

AS - Recent Ladies in Golf programming on TV shows DG to be in an encouraging place.
Has had initial talks with 2 clubs regarding mixed seniors friendly matches with positive response.

RH - 2 members reps to be invited to each committee meeting.

11. Date for next meeting - Weds 8th Feb 7.30pm - Avon Room !

