

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tue 16th July 2024

Attendees : Andy Meredith, Gill Lane, Sandy Byfield, Tom Fleming, Steve Warren, Helen Lake, Nigel Thorne, Andy Storer, Ian Chaplin, Iain Cottingham.

1. Apologies : Giles Bennet, Sarah Jolly, Bernie Martin, Kieran Watson.
2. Minutes of last meeting - Approved.

Items C/F

- a. New measured tees - Stone markers being prepared, no dates for survey yet.
- b. Club Committee Positions - AM and KW to liase and send email to membership.
- c. Long rough beside path up 6th hole - TF to advise Dave needs cutting, also look at cutting area between 7th green and lake to allow a better drop area.
- d. oob on the 8th and 11th - TF intention is to remove oob on 8th and make the oob On 11th all the way from tee to green.

3. General Managers Report.

Had Meetings with owners to look at Hotel and Golf Club Structure to plan budgets and a strategy going forward.

The Club is still for sale, with a recent interested party.

Still looking at alternatives and the most cost effective way of replacing the bridge over to the 10th hole. NT noted that bridge to 11th green also in need of repair. ICh to investigate.

Looking to recruit a new sales person and new food and beverage staff with emphasis on consistency and quality.

Some Inside and outside decoration planned shortly.

AS - will area outside Proshop be tidied. ICh yes to be graded and landscaped.

ICo Do we have H&S Compliance certificates with regards to damaged bridge.

ICh - We have H&S Audits of whole estate, will look into if this includes the bridge.

4. Director of Golf Report.

A big thank you to all volunteers who assisted with a successful Club Championship over the last weekend.

The course was as good as its been over recent years with greens running at 9.75 on Saturday, moving up to 11.25 on Sunday, despite the vertidrain operations being carried out so close to the competition. TF, ICh and DK perhaps need to discuss before decisions made for work on the greens that disrupt playing conditions.

Focus now on the upcoming Seniors Championship, Pro Am, Presidents Day, Captains Charity Day and Q School in September.

There is a South Region PGA event scheduled when the course will be closed to members on a Monday.

Such events are considered to be good for the club to raise our profile with other clubs and professionals.

The green fee structure has been updated, with fees now £60 midweek and £75 weekends. Making our strong membership more valued.

A new inclement weather policy has been drafted and put on the website.

5. Treasurers Report - as below.

We are still running behind budget at present.

Charity balance sheet now includes money raised at the Seniors Charity Bowl.

ICo paid donation to A Skelly's funeral charity. GL to reimburse.

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Balance Sheet

	30-Jun 2024	31-Oct 2023
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	1603.54	278.54
Bank: deposit account	7163.03	10058.72
Stock - Club ties 6 remaining	114.48	133.56
Competitions money due		639.00
Donnington Diners Float	300.00	299.25
Champagne Rollup Float	250.00	
Total Current Assets	9431.05	11409.07
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving 2023	370.00	2345.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2022	192.22	900.22
Provision for Prize Giving 2024	2005.00	
Accrued costs	0.00	320.00
Memorial Fund	105.00	135.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2024	320.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	0.00	795.00
Total Liabilities	2992.22	4495.22
Total Net Current Assets	6438.83	6913.85
General Fund brought forward	6913.85	7860.62
Profit/Loss for the year	-475.02	-946.77
General Fund carried forward	6438.83	6913.85

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Income & Expenditure Account	8 Months to 30 June 2024	Budget to date	Year to 31 October 2023
Income			
Competitions Income	6,794.00		13,370.00
Card charges	(36.35)		(68.53)
Fines charged	-		10.00
Less: Vouchers	(4,120.00)		(7,900.00)
Prizegiving	(2,005.00)		(4,365.00)
	<u>(6,125.00)</u>		<u>(12,265.00)</u>
	632.65	919.97	1046.47
Club Ties	0.92	-	0.92
Interest received	104.31	120.00	117.84
Total Income	737.88	1039.97	1165.23
Expenditure			
Berkshire Ladies comps	131.00	125.00	184.00
England Golf Race to Woodhall Spa	75.00	80.00	70.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	155.00	175.00	155.00
RDICL Scratch League	225.00	225.00	-75.00
Kyocera/Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	230.00	230.00	210.00
Inter-club Challenge	256.00	300.00	240.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	0.00	320.00
30th Anniversary sponsorship	0.00		900.00
Memorial plaques	0.00	0.00	48.00
Competition expenses	35.90		
Donnington Diners expenses	65.00		
Bank charges	40.00	40.00	60.00
Total Expenditure	1212.90	1175.00	2112.00
Profit/Loss	-475.02	-135.03	-946.77

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Charity Account

Total Interest received	28.19
Captains Drive-in	
Guess the Distances	480.00
Surplus from entries/prizes/food	155.10
Xmas Ball Heads & Tails	90.00
Champagne rollup cake raffles	67.00
St George's Day	338.00
Captain/Pro Challenges	200.00
Donation J Black from Committee Awayday	10.00
Andy Storer Shoes	40.00
Seniors Charity Bowl	960.00
Leweys donation	50.00
S Berry donation	10.00
Ladies Eclectic	60.00
Ladies Par & Birdie Trees	25.00
Total	<u>£ 2,513.29</u>

6. Competition Secretary Report.

New members cup date revised to Sunday 29th September.

Previous Competition Committee meeting minutes as below -:

**Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 10th July 2024**

Attendees: Bernie Martin, Andy Meredith, Rob Hinson, Gill Lane, Steve Martin, Simon Vines, Steve Lillywhite

1 **Apologies:** Jools Black, Sandy Byfield

2 **Minutes of Last Meeting** – Approved.

3 **Items Carried Forward**

- a. No Shows – one from Midsummer Madness, BM emailed but no response. AM will speak to them.
- b. Boards – AS has got the new boards up, but there are still some amendments to do. SL has spoken to him regarding trophies. GL asked to be involved.
- c. Website results. SL has heard nothing from V1.
- d. Competition Manual has been further updated by SB. Needs a few more tweaks, SM will liaise with SB.
- e. Qualifying Criteria – this will be reviewed in December 2024, with a view to reducing it to 12 months.

4 **Rota** – Updated. We have added a Sunday Stableford on 28th July SL.

5 **Upcoming Competitions**

- a. Summer Knockouts – next deadline 14th July. BM
- b. Club Champs – Draw sent out. AM, BM meeting Friday 12th to do cards, set up tables for registration. Registration / Volunteer sheet is pretty much there. TF to let volunteers know the schedule. Volunteers will get refreshments.
- c. Champagne Roll Up – going well. The prize draw £390 was won two weeks ago.
- d. 17th July Seniors Club Championship. SV/AM. £6 entry fee.
- e. 27th July Shotoku Cup. SB, check that the set up is acceptable for handicap. £6 entry fee.
- f. 7th August Midweek Championships. BM/SM. Medal.
- g. 10th August Presidents Day – AM/BM. Registration from 7.30. 9.00 shotgun, individual Stableford.
- h. 24th August Greensomes Cup – RH.
- i. 26th August Bank Holiday Competition – 2 ball texas scramble, vouchers, £10 per team. SL will publicise it.

6 **AOB**

- a. New Members Competition – 26th September 2024. As this is a weekday, AM will speak to TF regarding changing it to a weekend date. It would be good if any committee members are available to join the groups. AM will send out invitations.
- b. GL – taking the Anniversary Foursomes as an example, we had too many tee times. When we clone next years' comps look back at this year's entries and adjust tee slots. Consider reducing the third zone.
- c. GL – if there is a two ball going out last in a drawn competition, can we be consistent in moving them to the top of the zone.
- d. RH – regarding the ladies draw in the club champs, should the ladies have been split into silver and bronze handicap groups. Draw has been sent out and will remain as is.
- e. SL – in the Saturday Medal we had a request to go out as late in the last zone as possible. Unfortunately there were not enough people playing in the zone to accommodate this.
- f. BM – is stepping down from doing the Secretary role on the Competition Committee at the end of October. AM has spoken to KW about this.

7. Lady Captain Report.

Bernie Martin and Toni Prince are due to represent us in the Coronation Foursomes regional final later this month.

Ladies matches continue as scheduled.

8. Senior Captains Report.

Over 20 seniors matches completed using around 45 different players, with emphasis on using the same players for the respective home and away fixtures, and ensuring everyone has an active handicap.

DG are currently top of the 3 counties league with an unbeaten record.

Feedback from visiting teams has been very positive lately. Food sometimes an issue, ICh working with Simon to improve.

The Seniors have just completed another very successful tour to the Isle of Wight.

9. Members questions / Members Reps.

NT

Complaint regarding behaviour of members in bar also witnessed by AS.

Will the practice area behind the range be ready for use soon. IC has requested a deadline and will look into again shortly. TF concerned may not be ready for Q School. Putting green also needs attention ICh and TF to investigate.

Some members request more creativity in halfway hut. ICh all menus are being reviewed and will include looking into halfway hut.

Pot holes in driveway etc, NT to fill them.

10. AOB.

AM - Club Champs Prizes.

All agreed we should give runner up prizes at presentation night in the Gross competition only.

AS - Meeting with new engraver for honours boards soon, AM and GL invited to attend.

AS - Has the new members cup been arranged, date moved to Sunday 29th September.
AM to send out invites.

TF - Has diary been started for next year. AM yes laid out will put on ClubV1 with KW.

NT - Q&A scores from member survey still pretty good across the whole range.

NT - Bunkers are inconsistent for being raked. TF Champagne roll up seems to be the worst, DK often comments on unraked bunkers and pitch marks on greens left on a Saturday morning on the 9 holes used for roll up the evening before.

TF to send out general reminder.

NT - We have only 40 divot bags left from 100 put out !!

ICh feels we still need to make the 100 new ones we have available to players.
Perhaps a bin after the 18th would work better to collect used bags.

Date of Next meeting - Tuesday 13th August 2024 19.00.

