

Donnington Grove				
Golf Club				
Attendees:	Giles Bennet, Steve Warren, Steve Lillywhite, Paul Greening, Gill Lane,			
	Kieran Watson, Juliet Culley, John Headland, Keven Bale, Tom Fleming			
Apologies:	Dan Bundy, Nigel Thorne, Andy Storer, Sarah Jolley			
Minute Taker:	Kieran Watson (KW)			
Venue /Date	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2024			

## Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Apologies.
- 2. Minutes of last meeting.

Items carried forward.

a. New measured tees.

Approval of minutes.

- 3. Matters Arising
- a. Secretary to committee
- b. Social media and press coordinator
- 4. General managers report.
- 5. Director of Golf report.
- 6. Treasurers report.
- 7. Competition Secretary report.
- 8. Lady Captain report.
- 9. Senior Captain report.
- 10. Members questions / Members reps.
- 11. AOB

## Matters/Actions arising from minutes

- a) New measured tees: No progress
- b) Ratification of accounts:- It has been agreed that Iain Cottingham will meet with Gill and revise the accounts in January.

#### Minutes of last meeting

Novembers minutes were approved and will be posted on the Club Website

a. Secretary to committee

The position was advertised to the membership and only one Member applied for the position. It was therefore unanimously voted to appoint Ann Maisey to the position of secretary to the committee. KW to contact her and invite to take up the role moving forwards.

b. Press and social media coordinator

The position was advertised to the membership but no-one was forthcoming. We will keep looking for someone to take this position but in the meantime Tom is happy to send out information if supplied by relevant persons

DB

- The Bridge has been signed off and we are just awaiting dates to be confirmed to start work
- The new Operations Manager Sam \*\*\*\*\*\* has been appointed, they bring a wealth of experience having worked previously at FoxHills

## Matters/Actions arising from the GM report

## **Director of Golf Report**

- Adam Slattery will be joining the pro shop team
- The green staff are continuing to install the new boundary fence
- With the current weather the green staff are cutting the greens every other day as the weather allows

## Matters/Actions arising from the D.O.G report

Treasurers Report

<b>Donnington Grove Golf Committee</b>			
Income & Expenditure Account	1 month to 30 November 2025	Budget to date	Year to 31 October 2024
Income			
Competitions Income Card charges Fines charged Less: Vouchers (315.00	,		12,698.00 (70.92) (7,235.00) (3,660.00)
The giving	(315.00)	50.00	(10,895.00)
Club Ties Interest received	0.00 14.25	12.00	3.42 155.76
Total Income	168.89	62.00	1891.26
Expenditure			
Berkshire Ladies comps	0.00	0.00	200.00
England Golf Race to Woodhall Spa	0.00	0.00	75.00 155.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard RDICL Scratch League	0.00	0.00	225.00
Kyocera/Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	0.00	0.00	230.00
Inter-club Challenge	0.00	0.00	256.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	0.00	400.00
Memorial plaques	0.00	0.00	-
Captains Blazers		0.00	_
Competition expenses	0.00		35.90
Captains photoframes	0.00		19.74
Donnington Diners expenses	0.00		65.00
Funeral donation	0.00		50.00
Bank charges	5.00	5.00	60.00
Total Expenditure	5.00	5.00	1771.64

163.89

57.00

Profit/Loss

119.62

## **Donnington Grove Golf Committee**

<b>Balance</b>	Sheet
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	31-Oct 2025	31-Oct 2024
Current Assets	2025	2024
P. I.	100.40	E00.4F
Bank: current account Bank: deposit account	123.42 7478.73	509.17 8214.48
Stock - Club ties 3 remaining	57.24	57.24
Competitions money due	154.64	0.00
Donnington Diners Float	300.00	300.00
Total Current Assets	8114.03	9080.89
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving	766.67	1897.42
Accrued costs	0.00	0.00
Memorial Fund	150.00	150.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2024	0.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	916.67	2047.42
Total Net Current Assets	7197.36	7033.47
General Fund brought forward	7033.47	6913.85
Profit/Loss for the year	163.89	119.62
General Fund carried forward	7197.36	7033.47
General Fund Carried forward	/15/.30	7033.47

## **Donnington Grove Golf Committee**

## **Charity Account**

Captains Drive-In (in aid of Royal British Legion)

Entries £5 \* 124 620.00
Cash collection (Captains drives & ball markers 414.10

To pay to RBL 1034.10

Funds raised for Captains Charity

Total Interest received 24.36

Ladies Christmas raffle 185.00

Total £ 209.36

GL raised that the Race to Woodhall Spa event that we currently enter a Male and Female golfer into also has a Junior category. It was agreed that we would also enter a junior into next years competition.

## **Competitions Report**

# MINS from Dec Comps Meeting Competitions and Handicaps Sub Committee Meeting Wednesday 11th December 2024 7.00pm Upstairs Bar - Donnington Grove

- 1 Apologies, SB, RH & KW
- 2 Approval of Minutes from 13th November Meeting Approved
- 3 Items c/f
  - a No Shows. Non
  - b Competitions Manual SB. Send to SL update website Completed
  - c Friday Comps- remove done up to end March dates are wrong
  - d SL / KW / TF to look at all comps zones and bokking Need a date KW
  - e TOC review zones SL / KW & TF- Need a Date KW

In view of oct comp issues email to be sent to all mebers reminding them of how

- f to fill cards in to be drafted for circulation
- proposal to revert back to 12 months qualifying criteria agreed vote 8-1
- h proposal to change qualifying # scores to 3 agreed vote 7-2

Cmain committee instruction to keep 18 months, only winners to be checked,

players responsibility, add to comp information & email above

- i review summer x out dates to get finished end sept. SL to action
- 4 Events since last meeting Review
  - a 13th Nov Midweek Stbleford Jools only 7 players
  - b 21st Nov Midweek Stbleford Simon Cancelled
  - c 23rd Nov SaturdayStableford Paul / Bernie Cancelled
  - d 24th Nov Sunday Stableford Steve cancelled
  - e 25th Nov Midweek Stbleford Paul Steve -4 players cancelled
  - f 3rd Dec Midweek Stableford Simon 5 players cancelled
  - g 7th Dec Saturday Stableford Rob Cancelled
  - h 8th Dec Winter Warmer Cancelled
- 4 Rota All Ok
- 5 Upcoming Competitions
  - a Winter Knockouts (will review each month) up to date
  - b 11th Dec Midweek Stableford Canceled no entries
  - c 19th Dec Midweek Stableford
  - d 27th December Winter Scramble Shotgun start £5 each for members, open to non menbers cost rules KW to organsie
  - e 28th Dec Saturday Stableford
  - f 29th Dec Sunday Stableford
- 6 AOB
  - Log into ClubV1 has been changed- comps email now set up so comps

committee can logiin & receive email verification - Completed

- b Race to Woodall Spa Pault to provide info
- c 8th hole is Dangerous should be closed SL has reported this to TF

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7 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 8th January 7pm in the upstairs bar.

## Matters/Actions Arising from Report.

No Matters arising

#### Lady Captains Report

I only have a brief report, no golf to report on but a couple of social events.

Firstly, the Christmas Ball appears to have been a hit, with 96 attendees dressed to impress. Despite the weather's attempts to disrupt, the atmosphere was lively with happy chatter. The magician added a magic touch and the band were also great, making the evening swing along nicely. I must also commend the kitchen and waiting staff for a splendid spread and service. They really did push the boat out for us and there were many compliments. I believe that new direction from the top has enabled a very capable team to start showing what they can really do.

Secondly, I hosted a Ladies' Christmas 9-hole competition and lunch, bad weather closed the course but I devised an indoor putting game and a Christmas quiz which kept all 28 ladies occupied and surprisingly quiet. Simon and his crew provided us with a fabulous lunch of hot soup, sandwiches, wraps and chips and the boys behind the bar went out of their way to make sure everything was top notch. Well done to all of them!

The day seems to have been a great success and I hope to organise some future events on a similar format and plan to build on the camaraderie that we witnessed, so that our section becomes the envy of other local clubs!

## Matter/Actions arising from report.

No Questions or actions

## Senior Captains Report

SW

- New Seniors Winter Eclectic up and running for period 1/12/24 to 31/3/25. Around 50 seniors have entered and this should keep handicaps competitive over the winter season ready for the commencement of club matches in April next year.
- The new Seniors bank account is close to being opened with Barclays Bank. The 'know your customer' anti
  laundering requirements have proven tedious but we expect to have the account opened by end of the
  year.
- First significant transactions will be collecting the £100 pledges from 30 seniors towards Max Nicholls target funding. So £3k p.a. for two years.

#### Matters/Actions arising from report.

No questions or actions

## Questions from Members Reps

GB – is there any plan to bring in a plastic tee ban? TF – the pro shop only sells wooden and bamboo tees, but impossible to police what every golfer brings onto the course.

#### AOB

- TF There have been cases of members taking trolleys beyond ropes and general poor course eticate when it comes to care of the course. As members and players can we all remind players of their responsibilities to maintain the course that they play on and adhere to the rules regarding where trolleys etc can be taken.
- TF We have had a few new members joining recently especially in the ladies section. TF will provide details to SJ and JC to contact and get involved.
- TF Can we see more activity on the social vents side of things. KW there is a Burns night planned for 24<sup>th</sup> January, hopefully a quiz night in February, a new international golf challenge day to run alongside St Patrick's day for March. We will add it as a conversation item on future agenda's
- SW The working group met and agreed on three main areas that need work within the constitution. These were the following.

- Removal of designated "Officers" from the Club Constitution. In a proprietary golf club the Officers are senior Company employees not some Committee members.
- Amend tenure for certain roles to allow for indefinite period of appointment. It was considered better to conform the Constitution to how we have been operating in practice, where experienced and capable appointments have held their positions for several years. Committee retains the right to terminate any appointment.
- Amend the process for appointing the Club President so that this becomes a function of current and all past captains who are still members of the Club (Club, Ladies and Seniors Captains) rather than the prevailing Committee.

A first draft will be brought to the next meeting for initial reading

KW – I have been working on a new club newsletter that will be able to be used by all captains going forwards. I am hoping to get the first edition of this out before new year and will speak to relevant persons for their input.

The Captain Closed the Meeting: - 19.49

**Next Meetings -**

Dates - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 11th February

Tuesday 11th March

Tuesday 15th April

Time - 19.00

**Location-- Avon Room Donnington Grove GC**