



**MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING
23rd February 2021 at 18:00**

PRESENT:

Mr S Murray, Committee Chairman	Mr E l'Anson
Mr M Chalk, President	Mr Hugh Hamilton
Mr N Bagley, Captain,	Mr R Leonard
Mr S Neill, Hon. Treasurer	Mr P Cain
Mr M W Holroyd, Hon Secretary	Mr W Riddell
Mr D Turner	Mr T Cooper

1. APOLOGIES – AS

2. Minutes of GM Meeting of January 19th 2021 were taken as read.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

3.a) Loss of Income Insurance claim – **NB** updated the meeting with the progress of the claim stating the claim was in two parts one the original claim and 2nd claim for lockdown 2 loss of earnings. Both parts are being pursued by ET the first part progressing the second part has questions against membership losses also club earnings. **CARRIED FORWARD**

3.b) Buggy Rates – A discussion around Buggy Electrical Charging and Green Staff utilisation. Buggies should be made available to Green Staff during lockdown. MH to check on Buggy charging in the Buggy Store. **CARRIED FORWARD.**

3.c) Franchise Rent Freeze – **SM** informed the meeting that restrictions have made estimating the monies lost during lockdown difficult – **CARRIED FORWARD**

3.d) Teesside Union Update – No progress **CARRIED FORWARD**

3.e) **EI** Informed that Lewis Marr has accepted the important Role of CWO and is already liaising with Golf England to achieve accreditation in early April. **EI** will update CWO matters at future meetings. **AGREED**

3.f) Edward's books will be displayed for member use once a cabinet can be sourced - **AGREED**

3.g) **SN** wished that the committee would consider that Ray Noddings should be rewarded for his life time service to our Club, stating he joined many years ago as an Artisan and throughout the years he acted on the GC, Captain and President. The Committee agreed he should become an Honorary Life Time Member **AGREED**

3.h) Appointment of Finance Committee Chair - **SN** offered his services for the role as it seemed a natural progression from vice chairman and given his role as treasurer ran alongside the role. – **AGREED** – **SM** thanked the outgoing Chair **NB** for his hard work over the last few years.

3.i) BRS Visitor Tee Times after March 31st. – After much discussion it was agreed that no visitors should be permitted for at least two weeks after restrictions are lifted and golf can begin. The Committee will review after the commencing of golf to monitor the take up of Tee times and make further decisions as to what is the best way that members can enjoy their golf. **ON GOING**

3.j) Junior National Tournament Application- RL stated that having reviewed the demands it involved that we could not possibly accommodate the fixture and he would inform them as such - **AGREED**

4. Investigation & Disciplinary – **MH** informed the meeting there were no incidents during this period.

5. Finance – See Treasurer Report

6. Administration Nothing to Report

7. Subcommittee Reports:

7.1 Finance – The Treasurer submitted his lengthy report and stated that all were welcome at future Finance meetings - **Accepted**

7.2 Greens **PC** Submitted his report and stated that the Head Green Keeper will now have a new title of Course Manager in keeping with other clubs. They had one Green Staff hand in his resignation and they are also 2 no part time staff down at present, they will recruit as soon as possible. He stated that with the new monies set aside for Pumps and sprinklers the green aprons will improve dramatically this year as will the whole course – **Accepted**

7.3 House / Property – TC Stated Clubhouse improvements were progressing nicely. New electrics had been installed given that the old boards were in a dangerous condition. New seating is the next project along with revamp of the Competition boards and lighting. He is gathering quotes and hope all should be completed before the clubhouse opens. **Accepted**

7.4 Marketing – **DT** presented his report stating he had carried out some SWOT analysis and he was pleased that most of the club's weaknesses had been turned into strengths compare to his last findings in 2019. **Accepted**

7.5 Comps/Handicaps – **SN** will hold a Comp/Handicap meeting shortly.

7.6 Health & Safety – **EI** outlined what had been completed during the month namely Green Shed Fire Safety and Alarm system servicing. An audit of the phone system is taking place. **Accepted**

7.7 Social – **SM** is looking into ways of continuing the Club Lottery. A discussion around what other licensees and hostelrys are doing to gain back social bookings and revenues after lockdown. It was agreed to work closely with other Local groups to see if there are benefits.

7.8 Ladies Link – No Report

7.9 Juniors – No Report

8. Correspondence – e-mail from long standing member re Tee Times. **MH** will discuss with member **ON GOING**

9. **Captains comments** – **NB** was saddened to hear of the passing of Alex's father Adrian, all our thoughts are with his family at this time. The Captain wishes to have his Drive in for 2021 to coincide with the opening of the clubhouse and bar. The committee thought this was a splendid idea and **MH** & **RL** will hope to come up with dates to ensure the event takes place. He hopes the club will support the franchise with ways of providing bar facilities outside during restrictions. The pro am is progressing nicely and is looking forward to get back on the course. The North Air ambulance will benefit from his Charity Fund Raising this year.

10. AOB

1. **TC SM DT** were in discussions to provide space in a corner of the carpark to place some storage of a disabled charity's beach cycling facilities. They hope this will be of benefit to the club through promotional advertising and the council could provide additional carparking through double gates into the council carpark **PC** wished to ensure this will not impede Greens work and work space. – **ON GOING**

2. **SN** wishes investigation into small changes in the Red Book over recent years **MH** will approach a member to assist.

3. **RL** stated he is in discussion with the R&A and EGU to view the possibility of Seaton Carew hosting prestigious tournaments especially in 2024. **MH** pointed out that it was Brancepeth Castle's Centenary that year.

4. **El proposed** the need to have one point of contact for all correspondence from members to the committee. He proposed that the Hon sec is that person who would establish a correspondence register which records when correspondence was received, on what date, who from, the recipient and the date/status of reply. The Hon sec would then forward that correspondence as appropriate. In support of this the Hon sec would send a note out to members explaining that the route for all correspondence is as above and any correspondence sent directly to committee members may not receive a reply. Seconded by **RL** - **AGREED**

Date of next meeting 23rd February 2021

Meeting Closed at 17:40pm

Signed..... Date.....