

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tues 12th March 2024

Attendees : Andy Meredith, Gill Lane, Sandy Byfield, Tom Fleming, Bernie Martin, Steve Warren, Giles Bennet, Kieran Watson, Helen Lake, Iain Cottingham.

1. Apologies : Sarah Jolly, Nigel Thorne, Andy Storer.
2. Minutes of last meeting - Approved.

Items C/F

- a. Honours boards in bar completed - AS has been chasing constantly, and received reply that boards will be done later this week !
- b. Measurement for new tees - TF organising.
- c. WHS changes, new tables on 1st tee - Eagle are doing signs for tee and outside Proshop, SB has approved draft.
Will also incorporate a QR code for digital app, with handicap tables and course yardages.
- d. Signage for buggies on hole 2. - TF will check if done yet.
- e. Bell position on 8th hole. - TF deciding best locations.
- f. ClubV1 migration to BRS / Golf Genius. - After further investigation TF decided Software for Golf Genius still developing, decided to wait. Remove from agenda.

3. General Managers Report.

Joanne unable to attend the meeting and no report sent.

TF - A new operations manager to be appointed.

4. Director of Golf Report.

Fairways have now been cut at 17mm, aprons and tees at 13mm and greens at 4.5mm. As we move into April the cut heights will be reduced to 15mm for fairways, 11mm aprons and tees, and 3.5mm for the greens.

Fertiliser spraying on tees, aprons and greens is ongoing, as is the general tidy up after tree works.

Maintenance week will commence on 8th April, with the course closed on Monday 8th to enable the green staff to work without stopping for players. Greens and tees will be cored and sanded and some bunkers re shaped.

All the cores from the greens will be used to improve the chipping area behind the range, which we will have a strong focus on improving this year.

The irrigation system will be turned back on again soon, expect to see some holes dug in order to make repairs.

KW - 7th green obvious works by green staff not indicated as GUR. TF - Under the rules any holes made by green staff and areas impacted by maintenance such as material piled up for later removal now come under GUR rules wether marked or otherwise.

TF to look into and perhaps organise a rules evening.

5. Treasurers Report - as below.

Donnington Diners refund from committee funds of £60 agreed, due to mis communication on previous event.

Agreed to fund Champagne roll up £250 from committee funds for purchase of prizes subject to basic accounting being provided.

SB - Could we show a running projection instead of an annual one. GL to consider.

Donnington Grove Golf Committee**Income & Expenditure Account**4 Months to
29 February 2024Year to
31 October 2023**Income**

Competitions Income	1,885.00	13,370.00
Card charges	(12.64)	(68.53)
Fines charged	-	10.00
Less: Vouchers	(1,450.00)	(7,900.00)
Prizegiving	(105.00)	(4,365.00)
	<u>(1,555.00)</u>	<u>(12,265.00)</u>
	317.36	1046.47
Club Ties	0.92	0.92
Interest received	57.26	117.84
Total Income	375.54	1165.23

Expenditure

Berkshire Ladies comps	35.00	184.00
England Golf Race to Woodhall Spa	0.00	70.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	85.00	155.00
RDICL Scratch League	225.00	-75.00
Kyocera/Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	230.00	210.00
Inter-club Challenge	0.00	240.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	320.00
30th Anniversary sponsorship	0.00	900.00
Memorial plaques	0.00	48.00
Bank charges	25.00	60.00
Total Expenditure	600.00	2112.00

Profit/Loss	-224.46	-946.77
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Balance Sheet

	29-Feb 2024	31-Oct 2023
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	39.63	278.54
Bank: deposit account	7665.98	10058.72
Stock - Club ties 6 remaining	114.48	133.56
Competitions money due	105.27	639.00
Donnington Diners Float	299.25	299.25
Total Current Assets	8224.61	11409.07
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving 2023	370.00	2345.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2022	900.22	900.22
Provision for Prize Giving 2024	105.00	
Accrued costs	0.00	320.00
Memorial Fund	25.00	135.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2024	135.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	0.00	795.00
Total Liabilities	1535.22	4495.22
Total Net Current Assets	6689.39	6913.85
General Fund brought forward	6913.85	7860.62
Profit/Loss for the year	-224.46	-946.77
General Fund carried forward	6689.39	6913.85

6. Competition Secretary Report.

GB is still reviewing the competitions manual.

Drawn social competitions.

A drawn shotgun start competition will be trialed, entering as pairs then 2 pairs drawn together to form a team of 4.

We have chosen the Spring Scramble on Monday May 6th.

BB&O have sent us a centenary medal, to be added onto a mens medal competition, will be discussed at next Competition Committee meeting.

Many recent requests for Marshalls on weekend competitions.

TF plans to re introduce Course Marshalls from April subject to availability.

Previous Competition Committee meeting minutes as below -:

Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 6th March 2024

Attendees: Bernie Martin, Steve Martin, Simon Vines, Andy Meredith, Rob Hinson, Sandy Byfield, Jools Black, Steve Lillywhite

- 1 **Apologies** – Gill Lane.
- 2 **Minutes of Last Meeting** – Approved.
- 3 **Items Carried Forward**
 - a. No Shows – Winter Warmer – **RH** thinks the fine money has been put in the charity pot.
 - b. Outstanding New Boards, **AS** has finally spoken to company.
 - c. Qualifying - **SB** will speak to TF to update EGU from 1st April to include White tees.
 - d. Handicap Review. All done.
 - e. Competition Issues (cards not returned and gimmees). Discussed at Main Committee and **AM** will speak to individuals.
 - f. Changes to WHS - from April 2024. **SB** will put the tables up on the notice boards and email the members. Main board is to be updated by Nigel Thorne. There was a query on the calculation for competitions, 90% of the exact handicap.
 - g. OOB 11th. One white post has been removed.
 - h. Website results – **SL** has not heard back from V1.
 - i. Competitions Manual is being reviewed by GB. No feedback yet.
 - j. Boards/Trophies are currently President's responsibility. TF will help and AS to speak to SL.
 - k. Drawn Social Competitions – should be a shotgun. **AM/SM** to propose a date.
 - l. Word Copy of Competition Manual is in a private folder "Competition Manual Master" on V1.
- 4 **Rota** – Updated.
- 5 **Upcoming Competitions**
 - a. Winter knockouts – singles up to date, doubles deadline extended to 17th March. **BM**
 - b. Club Champs entry form updated. Sub committee SL, JB, SB, BM, AM, KW, TF to meet early April, date tbc.
 - c. 9th March Grove Foursomes **SB**. Due to the unprecedented course closures, SB put forward a proposal to reduce the qualifying criteria (QC). This was put to a vote. The majority didn't want to change the QC. Players who have entered but do not have the QC, can play but will not be able to win the competition. **SB** to advise the relevant parties. It was also agreed that the draw would go out later on Friday as most of the committee are at an away day.
 - d. 23rd March Members Memorial. Registration will be in the upstairs bar and players should bring their results to **SL** in the upstairs bar. **BM** will help.
 - e. Champagne Roll Up – **RH** is liaising with **SL** on the spreadsheets. It will start on 5th April and a members draw will be done. 12th April will be covered by **SL**.
 - f. 10th April Masters par 3 – **TF**.
 - g. 21st April St Georges Day Cup. KB has this in hand. Competition Committee will help with registration and results. **JB/SL + BM/SM**.
 - h. Summer knockouts – add closing date so that entrants can work out 12 month period for QC. Take the adjustments off, as the updated WHS will be in effect. Need to send out asap.
BM

7. Lady Captain Report.

No Formal Lady Captain report.

8. Senior Captains Report.

Very good response to Tuesday roll up despite this weeks one being cancelled.

Seniors fun winter knockouts have progressed into the final stages.

Notes sent out on basic rules and etiquette very helpful.

Information sent out to seniors section has resulted 127 members on distribution list and 86 members indicating they may be available to play in seniors matches. Players should make themselves available for both Home and Away matches.

There are now 5 match captains for the various seniors matches that spreads the load a bit and enables different approaches to team selection.

9. Members questions / Members Reps.

GB - Will the hotel be providing a food offering for the Masters par 3 competition.
TF will talk with Catering.

When course is non qualifying, could we adopt, pick, rake and replace in bunkers.
Agreed a Good idea.

Feed back, nobody has complained about course being closed, some indicating that it could be closed more often to protect it.
When it is marginal, felt it is better not to decide too early, people still attend to use The range, and meet socially.

Changing weather patterns probably mean wet winters will be here to stay.

10. AOB.

SB - Rumour of Donnington Grove having been sold - TF Not to his knowledge.

SB - Can white tees be made available as qualifying from April 1st, TF confirmed.

TF - Champagne roll up starts from Friday 5th April, plan is to run a scratch 9 hole competition as well.

TF - Cutting to start on unused fields to make a foot golf course for the summer.

IC - Would we be able to host a Seniors open event at DG.

TF , not against the idea however not on a busy Friday, Causes course to be closed for less revenue. Can discuss again if required.

Date of Next meeting - Tuesday 9th April 2024 19.00.

