



## Donnington Grove Golf Club

**Date:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
**Time:** 19.30  
**Location:** Donnington Grove Golf Club

<b>Attendees:</b>	Gary Rinaldi, Andy Storer, Gill Lane, Rob Carvill, Tom Fleming, Sandy Byfield, Alison Lillywhite, Steve Lillywhite
<b>Apologies:</b>	Ian Gaskell, Dave Knight, Nugel Roberts Green
<b>Minute Taker:</b>	Andy Storer

### Agenda

Welcome and Apologies

Minutes of last Meeting

Matters/Actions arising from minutes

General Managers report

Director of Golf's Report (including course report)

Members Questions/Matters arising relevant to Management

Treasurer's Report

Competitions & Handicaps Secretary's report

Lady Captains Report

Senior Captains Report

Upcoming events; -

- Club Championships Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July
- Newbury Interclub Challenge 19<sup>th</sup> July
- Sunday Medal 21<sup>st</sup> July
- Shotuko Cup 27<sup>th</sup> July
- Sunday Stableford 28<sup>th</sup> July
- Monthly Medal 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Members Questions

A.O.B

Date of next meeting

### Minutes of last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by the captain Rob Carvill

### Matters/Actions arising from minutes

Drainage outside pro-shop More quotes required.

Potholes ongoing

Honours boards ongoing, there are still a number which are required, and replacement of several other trophies etc. Steve Lillywhite compiled a list of the outstanding: -

- Japan Cup
- Captains Rose bowl
- Mixed Greensomes
- Greensomes Cup
- Club Championship
- Net Championship Plate
- Parasampia Bogey
- Midweek Championship
- Shotoku Cup
- Senior singles / Hole in one (this is a shared board)
- Winter match play championship (I assume singles / doubles, but it does not say so)
- Parasampia Cup
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- Missing??
- Club captains/presidents Pictures
- Presidents putter?
- Summer match play
- Anniversary Foursomes
- Robert Burnes?
- Parasampia Cup

Gill has received an invoice for the Honours boards, however it is unclear if the invoice includes the new board.

#### General Managers report

There was no report from the General Manager in his absence

#### Matters/Actions arising from General Managers report

#### Director of Golf's Report (including course report)

##### TF Reported

There are now two additional professional members of the pro-shop team, Dan Seymore joins us as a teaching professional, and Max Nicholls has been sponsored by Donnington Grove and will proudly display the Donnington Grove logo on his bag and clothing while playing.

There is some confusion as to where the e-mail address [committee@donnington-grove](mailto:committee@donnington-grove) is directed too. We may be missing questions from the members, and more importantly there is a question of privacy.

The Euro pro tournament have booked for next year the event will be 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> June 2020. In the months running up to and including the event, I believe a tournament committee as such should be in place to spread the workload for the event.

Due to an abuse in trust by several of the members, all buggies will no longer be available for use in "Marshall Mode" All buggies will now be restricted to the correct areas. There have also been several questions regarding the use of buggies in competition golf. This I believe is a matter for discussion for the coming years.

Funding for a course Marshall has been signed off by the Management, we hope to have a Marshall in place for 24hrs/week.

The course is in great condition, Dave and his team are working hard to present the members with a great course for this year's club Championships, however it is increasingly frustrating the

amount of pitch marks which are not being repaired during play. We have seriously considered a closure to allow the greenkeepers the time to repair all pitch marks in greens. O.O.B has been reinstated to the right of the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole and to the left of the 8th hole. The replacement of the O.O.B to the left of the 10<sup>th</sup> fairway with a penalty area is to be left in place. The O.O.B to the right of the 11<sup>th</sup> fairway will not be in play for the duration of the Club Championships.

#### Matters/Actions arising from Director of Golf's Report (including course report)

committee@donnington grove AS

#### Treasurer's Report

**GL Reported:** - Income from competitions was up in relation to the previous year at this time, which is due to the increases in members playing. This currently stands at a total of £5867.00 which after provision for competition vouchers and provision for prize giving shows a nett total of £502.00 Total expenditure for the year to date is £507.20, which shows a total nett income of £7.31 to date.

**GL** suggested to the committee due to the increase in numbers playing in The Anniversary Foursomes (Men) we should bring the prize fund into line with other board competitions.

- Last year 1<sup>st</sup> £25 2<sup>nd</sup> £15
- This Year 1<sup>st</sup> £30 2<sup>nd</sup> £20 3<sup>rd</sup> £10

Also, the Grove Foursomes should also be brought into line with other board competitions.

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The committee were in favour of the proposal.

**SB** to amend the competitions manual

There are still several club ties (12) which need to be accounted for which are still in the possession of TC.

The Captains charity account stands at £1979.78. The Captains and committee wish to send special thanks to Brendon Bevan for his donation of £135 from his golf day, Jake the club cleaning King for his donation from his hard work of £10, and special thanks to Maureen Heath and Catherine Moody for the £610 raised from hosting their now annual garden party.

#### Matters/Actions arising from Treasurer's Report

**AS** to contact Tony Coleman ref club ties.

#### Competitions Report

##### Competitions Report – July 2019 Committee Meeting

June was another bumper month in terms of entries for competitions.

As reported on at last month's meeting, June started off with the Presidents Cup with 98 attending. Two more board competitions were contested

- The Anniversary Foursomes, where 34 teams took part.
  - This was also the qualifier for the Daily Mail and BB&O County Foursomes teams for next year
  - In the lady's event Gill Lane and Julie Myall were victorious, and will go on to represent the club in the Daily Mail Foursomes next year
    - Reserves for this are Shey Walder and Jan King
  - In the mens event Keith Burkin and Steve Clark came out on top and get the spot in the Daily Mail Foursomes
    - Reserve team for this is Paul O'Hagan and Tom Fulker
  - The top mens team (gross) will represent the club in the BB&O County Foursomes next year. This goes to Aaron Henry and Jason Axford, with Keith Burkin and Steve Clark as reserves.
- The Captains Rosebowl, where a total of 68 people took part
  - The ladies title went to Faye Unsworth
  - The men's title went to Shaun Aldridge

In addition, the Midsummer Madness finally got some numbers booking with 25 teams taking part. Congratulations to the Tillett's who won the competition.

A further 163 entrants took part in the Medals and Stablefords during June. The June Medal was also the qualifier for the Staysure competition, and Davide Aagaard will go on to take part in this competition.

Looking forward to July, our focus is clearly on the Club Championships this coming weekend. The draw was held last Friday, with those in the bar seeming to enjoy our 'Wheel of Fortune' draw. 119 people are entered this year, so unfortunately, it's going to be a late-night Saturday and Sunday with the last group out at 2:30 pm.

But what an amazing turnout, which does re-enforce what we already knew – more and more people are wanting to take part in club competitions.

It's worth noting that 27 of those entrants entered in the last 2 days. Thank you, Tom and the others in the pro shop for collecting all the entries. I know it wasn't always easy.

I think we should consider other ways of entering the Club Champs next year without putting the onus on the pro shop and the amount of physical paperwork (which can go missing). Let's discuss please.

#### Matters/Actions arising Competitions Report

Looking forward, next year the May Bank Holiday is being moved to celebrate VE Day. We should maybe consider having a VE day themed event to join in the celebrations.

**AS** Reported, there is a clash on the day of the Greenkeepers revenge day, there is a society booked to play at 11.00 **TF** and **SB** to find a fix

#### Lady Captains Report

##### **Ladies Section – Captain's Report June 2019 (Presented by Alison Lillywhite)**

June has been a busy month for the Ladies Section.

We have received some very generous donations from the members for the Rosemary Appeal.

**Kim and Sally** both made and donated cakes to be raffled to the members in the bar during the Friday Champagne Roll Up. Approx. £152 was raised over two weeks.

**Maureen and Catherine's Tea Party** raised an amazing **£610** for the Rosemary Appeal. Well done and thank you both so much.

**Coronation Foursomes** - Congratulations to Sarah Jolly and Julie Myall who won the DG Pairs Competition with a score of 29 points. They now wait to learn if they have qualified to play at an Area Final Venue (subject to being in the top 100 scores).

**The Annodata Match v Reading** was played at DG with matches going to the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> holes but nevertheless resulting in a 1- 4 win to Reading. We shall hope for better luck next year; many thanks to Gill Lane for organising the fixtures and to all those who represented DG.

**The Ladies Invitation Competition** took place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June with a small field of 8 pairs comprising of guests from 7 clubs. Congratulations to Fay and her partner Alison Blackmore (N & C) who won with 35 points and to Sandy and her partner Lou Wills (Walton Heath) who were narrowly pipped into second place with 34 points.

**The Anniversary Foursomes Competition** - Gill Lane and Julie Myall won the Ladies Competition in style with 77.0 points.

**The Captain's Rose Bowl** – Congratulations to Fay Unsworth on winning this with an impressive 38 points.

**The Mixed Match v The Springs** My thanks to my partner Sandy Byfield, Maria and Roger Tillett, Krishna and Subodh Mohindra and Ali and Steve Lillywhite for playing. DG won of 3-1.

**Ladies Away Day to Boundary Lakes, Southampton.** A group of us travelled down to the Aegas Bowl where the Hampshire County cricket ground and golf club share facilities. This was a first visit for us all and interesting to play a new reciprocal course.

Anne-Marie Gane  
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#### Matters/Actions arising Lady Captains Report

No Actions

## Senior Captains Report

### Seniors DGCC Report – July

#### Three Counties Seniors Summer League

A good hard-fought home win against Caversham Heath. All matches in the league have so far been won by the home sides ensuring that all five clubs are still in a fight for the title.

#### Summer Friendlies

A good month for friendlies with all matches running close and great fun with an away win at Manor House and home losses to West Berks and Newbury & Crookham. West Berks arrived with a strong team and we will try and reciprocate with a good one and wrest the Elfed Trophy back following the away leg.

#### IOW Tour

Brilliant tour with close games and a lot of fun repartee. All superbly organised by Chris Armitage. A red-letter moment as we managed to come away without losing a match for the first time with draws against Shanklin and Sandown and Osborne and a win against Freshwater. Cliff Waller won Character of the Tour having made a hilarious Captain's speech at Shanklin which at any moment looked that it might dissolve into chaos as he battled the impact of a very pleasant red wine.

#### M4 Summer Cup

Unfortunately, we were knocked out by Mapledurham at their place by 3-1.

#### TOGS

We enjoyed a good challenge set by the format (Australian Pairs Four Club Challenge) and difficult weather at the June TOGS which was won by Colin Henley and Colin MacDougall. Colin H is starting to win almost as much as Andy Madeley. He will need watching!

#### Men's Senior Pairs Open (Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September)

We have 24 pairs already entered with only 2 club members included. There are 26 pairs slots still available and members are being encouraged to commit or they could miss out.

Ian Gaskell

No Actions

## Upcoming events

**Club Championship 2019** All in place for a great weekend, there will be no gift this year to competitors. **GL** suggested instead of the gift the committee should provide a free burger or hot dog after the second round for all players. **Committee agreed** the question of competitors using buggies in the championship was raised, the committee agreed it was too late in the day for any change but will consider for next year.

**Interclub Challenge** The team is in place, a cold buffet will be served post round in the downstairs restaurant, SB will sort all the scorecards and along with GL will check and collate the scores.

**Shotuko Cup** All in place 41 pairs are registered to play.

## Members Questions

No questions asked

A.O.B

**SL** Raised the issue of the path from the 9<sup>th</sup> hole through the trees to the halfway house, it is very uneven, and is a trip hazard, is there anything which can be done.  
**SL** The liner in the left fairway bunker on the 4<sup>th</sup> hoke is coming up through the sand.  
**AS/TF** Brought to the attention of the committee an ongoing situation between members, a long and discussion was had on the subject, **TF/AS** will report back to committee at the next meeting.

The Captain Closed The Meeting 23.10

Minutes approved by Donnington Grove Committee and signed by Rob Carvill Club Captain

**Next Meeting –**

**Date – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 20198**

**Time – 19.30**

**Location – Donnington Grove GC**