



Donnington Grove Golf Club	
Attendees:	Tom Fleming (TF), Alison Lillywhite (AL), Sandy Byfield (SB), Steve Lillywhite(SL), Gill Lane (GL), Andy Meredith(AM), Sarah Fowler (SF)
Guest:	
Apologies:	Andy Storer (AS), Nigel Roberts-Green (NRG), Cliff Waller (CW)
Minute Taker:	Sandy Byfield(SB)
	Date: Tuesday 27th July 2021 Location: Donnington Grove Golf Club

Agenda

- Welcome and Apologies.
- Minutes of last meeting
- Club Champs Review
- Officer's Reports received by e-mail prior to meetings.
 - *General Management Report by e-mail*
 - *Director of Golf's Report (Inc. Course Report) by e-mail*
 - *Greens Committee meeting (Mins)*
 - *Treasurer's Report by e-mail*
 - *Competitions & Handicaps Secretary's Report by e-mail*
 - *Comps Committee report (Mins)*
 - *Lady Captain's Report by e-mail*
 - *Social Committee meeting (Mins)*
 - *Seniors Captain's Report by e-mail*
- Matters Arising Re above meetings
- Prize Giving Evenings
- Memorial Garden
- Past Captains Dinner & Golf
- Charity Day
- Members Questions
- A.O.B.
- Date for next meeting

Apologies

Apologies received from AS, NRG, CW

Minutes of last meeting

Due to an Administrative oversight, no minutes were produced for the June meeting.
The main topic of conversation was preparation for the Club Championships.

Club Championships Review

The general feeling is that the club champs went very well.
Much good feedback received, in particular from some ex- Donnington Valley members who were playing it for the first time.
There have been some comments about the cost.
The competitions sub committee to have a more in depth review prior to planning for next year.

General Manager's Report by eMail

Club Champs – just a note to document that I was very pleased with the outdoor bar and BBQ arrangements at Club Champs, huge thank you to Dave and the team for transporting all the furniture to the course – and back. All of the members appeared to welcome and enjoy the refreshments, there were no incidents to concern and everyone behaved well. Hopefully next year we can see the return of the larger group size returning .
Thank you for promptly paying the food invoice

A recent fire risk assessment visit (report pending) identified that the lobby area by the lift/pro shop should not have furniture potentially blocking the escape route. This has been moved and may I request that in times when this area is used for registration that the doors are not held open with fire extinguishers. Any wedges should be removed in the event of a fire alarm activation. Further works will be done to install automatic door closers and magnets removing the necessity for door wedges.

West Berks Council -We have had our “unex[pected premises inspection” I am very pleased to report top marks 5* for our hygiene rating scores on the doors for another consecutive year. Well done to Simon and the team.

Porsche Club BBQ Sunday 8th August – we are expecting 120 guests and will reserve all parking to the front of the hotel for those attending. I have asked Tom to arrange with Dave to cut the field by the 1st tee for golf members overflow carpark to assist with the coordination of parking. Signs will be added by the bridge to divert all traffic. Thank you in advance for your cooperation, Tom will email the membership to communicate this too.

Structural repairs will progress to repair the underside of the bridge section to the white bridge and replacement metal handrails will be installed – should any temporary closures be required while this is complete I will let you know in due course.

Director of Golf's Report

No report by eMail.

Tom would like to thank everyone for the effort put in for the Club Championships.

The BB&O Junior Championships were held at Donnington Grove. We are now officiala BB&O Championship course.

W/C August 16th will be maintenance week on the course. There will be a lot of overseeding done.

Greens Sub Committee meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report by eMail

Donnington Grove Golf Committee

Income & Expenditure Account

	2021	Prior Year
Income		
Competitions Income	4,141.00	10,625.27
Card charges	(23.50)	
Fines charged	-	3.00
Less: Vouchers	(2,625.00)	(6,930.00)
Prizegiving 2021	<u>(1,967.50)</u>	<u>(3,225.00)</u>
	<u>(4,592.50)</u>	<u>(10,155.00)</u>
	-475.00	473.27
Social Events	0.00	0.00
Club Championship Bar	0.00	0.00
Club Ties	0.00	14.25
Interest received	0.75	-
Total Income	-474.25	487.52
Expenditure		
Berkshire Ladies comps	0.00	20.00
England Golf Ladies Medal	30.00	0.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	0.00	35.00
RDICL Scratch League	0.00	225.00
Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies		180.00
Inter-club Challenge	0.00	0.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	0.00
Captains blazers	0.00	0.00
Captains' photo frames	0.00	0.00
Information Board	0.00	1120.00
Clocks for Club Champs etc	45.00	
Sundry items*	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditure	75.00	1580.00
Profit/(Loss)	-549.25	-1092.48

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Balance Sheet

	2021	2020
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	422.45	996.95
Bank: deposit account	14632.54	12631.79
Debtors - Club ties 11 remaining	209.88	209.88
Competitions money due		168.00
Total Current Assets	15264.87	14006.62
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving 2019 comps	2008.00	2008.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2020 comps	3225.00	3225.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2021	1967.50	0.00
Memorial Fund	390.07	390.07
Accruals	0.00	0.00
Outstanding Prizegiving May 2020 Vouchers	0.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2021	0.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2019	0.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2020	20.00	180.00
Total Liabilities	7610.57	5803.07
Total Net Current Assets	7654.30	8203.55

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Charity Account 01625225

Total Interest received	0.09
Ladies Eclectic	85.00
Champagne rollup eclectic	210.00
Europro	10.00
St George's Day competition	440.00
Donation from Mike & Viv Lewsey	100
Seniors Charity Bowl	960.00
Midsummer Madness	
Donation from Sarah Jolly	25.00
Entry fees	410.00
Cake stall & 1st tee donations	852.06
Club Champs bar	133.00
Total collected to date	<u>£ 3,225.15</u>
Collected 2020 still not paid	<u>£ 1,563.73</u>

Handicap & Competitions Report (mins of sub committee meeting)

Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

Thurs 8th July 2021

1. Apologies : Steve Lillywhite apologises he cannot attend.
2. Minutes of last meeting : Approved.
3. Open actions
 - o Rota : now updated to include August.
Andy M to send out for approval after meeting
 - o Bad weather policy.
Chris Webb has this still pending after discussions with Tom.
Will bring draft to next committee meeting.
 - o Since this meeting with inclement weather possibly affecting The Shotoku Cup, Gill produced short draft covering main points and sent out with start sheet.
4. ClubV1 issue with mixed team comps
 - o Jazz Kang followed up with ClubV1 and this has now been Sorted. Action closed

5. New Business

- Midweek stablefords.
 - Since the committee decision to alter the first Tuesday and last Thursday of month format to one each week rotating Thurs, Weds, Tues, Mon. It has become apparent that only altering on ClubV1 causes Proshop issues as they work from BRS. It was also not accounted for that the Seniors run some of their competitions piggy backed to the midweek stablefords and they had already selected dates based on old setup.
Andy M working alongside Tom and Seniors to allocate Midweek stablefords weekly that satisfy everyone as closely as possible. This will result in the midweek stablefords not running in the tidy order expected.
- Score Cards
 - The general poor standard of cards being submitted for competitions and casual play rounds was discussed.
 - It is apparent that the Covid situation has caused some confusion as has the new World Handicap System.
 - It is agreed that we need to send out a communication to all members reinforcing the need to not only submit a card but to fill in all required information correctly as per the rules of golf.
 - Andy M to send out communication to all members and refer to correctly completed example on notice board.
- Lowest Gross Prizes
 - Should there be a lowest Gross prize for perhaps monthly medal competitions from April to September, or a new monthly Gross only competition.
 - Leave to August meeting to discuss.
- Seniors Club Championship
 - Gill pointed out that this is a new board competition and as such corporate members are not entitled to enter, however there is at least one known corporate member on entry list.
 - Andy M to go through list, inform Corporate entries and remove them.
- Club Championships
 - Final arrangements and discussion of preparations for upcoming Club Championships, including :
 - Volunteers - all sent a reminder.
 - Scoreboard arrangements - Tom Lane to enter scores.
 - Withdrawals - Refunds, perhaps state no refunds after draw for next year.
 - Inclement weather - will become a one day comp if affected by weather and one day called off.
 - Tie resolution by playoff for winner only, further places on count back.
 - Sandy to prepare starters sheets, registration checklist and checklist for scorers.
- AOB
 - Jazz proposed we encourage members to use EG app to record casual rounds as marker is clearly identified and there is no need for a card to be provided for handicap secretary to check.
 - There is still a need to accept ClubV1 casual round entries with scorecards as not all players will use EG app.

6. Items to bring to next full committee meeting

- Bad Weather policy - still pending

7. Next meeting

- Wed 4th August 2021.

Lady Captains Report

Ladies Section News

I am pleased to announce that I have appointed a Ladies Vice Captain and subsequently Lady Captain for 2022. After many discussions and much thought Sarah Fowler has agreed to take on the role of Vice with immediate effect and will become Ladies Captain in November.

There has been lots of activity within the ladies' section over the past couple of months

DG Competition winners

Midsummer Madness was won by Katherine Hartwell

Bernie Martin came 2nd on countback in the New Members Cup

Club Championships was supported by 20 ladies this year, the winners were

Nett Plate Winner - Maria Tillett

Nett Plate Runner Up – Juliet Culley

Gross Winner – Fay Unsworth

Gross Runner Up – Kim Richardson

Seniors Club Championships Ladies winner Sarah Fowler

Other Comps

Fay, Kim, Julie & Juliet played in the Farnham Ladies Open and came 1st with 80 points.

Katherine Hartwell, Ann McMahon & Sarah Fowler came 2nd in the Wrag Barn Ladies Open

Bernie Martin & Helen Lake qualified for the regional final of the Australian Spoons at Mill Ride, they had a great day but unfortunately didn't make it to the next round.

Katherine Hartwell represented DG in the England Golf Ladies Golf Medal regional final at Northampton Golf Club, unfortunately the competition was tough, and she was unable to make the top 6.

Ladies & Mixed Matches

Ladies v The Springs away was a resounding success with all 4 pairs winning their matches.

Ladies v West Berks at home was another success for DG winning 2 ½ - 1 ½

Mixed v The Springs away was a well fought match with DG winning 4 ½ - 1 ½

Mixed v Meyrick Park at DG was a great match with a win for DG 3 ½ - 2 ½

News

Well done to the ladies that played in the Duncan Trophy Team away at East Berks, a well fought match but unfortunately DG lost 3-2.

Thank you to all the ladies that played in the Annodata teams, unfortunately both teams have now been knocked out of the competition, well

Ladies v Seniors took place on 8th July, it was a fun well fought match with 22 ladies playing.

Unfortunately, the seniors played extremely well winning 8 ½ to 2 ½.

Social sub Committee Minutes

Now that many restrictions have been lifted the social committee are hoping to run some social events. We have already held our first Donnington Diners event at The Red House Marsh Benham, while numbers were thin on the ground, everybody seemed to enjoy the evening. The next one is due to be held on Thursday 9th September

Quiz Night is being held on Wednesday 28th July and we have 9 teams that have entered, this event is planned to be held monthly.

Treasure Hunt, a family fun day to be held on Sunday 15th August, this event is being organised by Kim Richardson with the help of the social committee.

The next social committee meeting will be held on Thursday 8th August.

Senior Captain's Report by eMail

No report received

Matters Arising from Reports

GM Report

- Bridge repairs - there will be no impact on members
- Tom F will send out a reminder re parking on 8th August

No matters arising from any other reports

Prize Giving Evenings

Andy Storer provided an update on the prize giving evenings by eMail as follows

I have spoken to Nigel today and have provisionally booked three dates for the presentation evenings for 2019/20/21. You may wish to discuss and let me know any thoughts.

2019 Friday 27th August 19.30 two course plated BBQ (buffets are still not allowed)

2020 Saturday 25th September 19.30 two course plated BBQ

2021 Sunday 24th October 19.00 (The original date in the club diary has been booked for a private dinner) Two course Sunday roast.

The cost per person for each of the events will be £20.00/head, children's cost of £10.00/head.

Tables of 10

All events will be held in the Marquee and the upstairs bar will be open.

If we are all in agreement I will get invitations out to the winners, if not please let me know your thoughts

A discussion followed. Concerns were raised re the proposed dates and the need for food for the older years.

SL to discuss further with AS.

Memorial Gardens

A discussion was held regarding holding a memorial day in remembrance of Anne-Marie Gane. This would be separate from the Member's Memorial competition booked for next year. The occasion could be used to have a small tree planting ceremony at the new Memorial Garden.

GL,AL and TF to liaise to arrange date and tee times.

Past Captains Dinner & Golf

Planning is in progress.

To be held on Sat 14th Aug.

25-30 to play golf. SB will let TF know the final numbers so tee times can be released.

Over 30 to attend the evening.

Charity Day

Charity day will be 18th September.

It will be a shotgun start at 9am.

Pass over to Comps sub committee to arrange registration etc.

Social Committee to deal with food.

Member's Questions

SBy – when are committee minutes meant to be published for members to see. There is currently a backlog.

- Agreed that as minutes are agreed at the following committee meeting, there should be no need for any delay past this
- SL to publish outstanding minutes

SF – some people are having trouble topping up their bar cards

- TF to look into this

SF – how do members know if they have won anything that will go on their pro shop account

- The winners and prizes go on the web site
- Social media used to publicize winners (but no value)
- Agreed to put lists on the board
- Comp manual no longer includes the prize money for monthly medals etc
 - Agreed to put this back in the manual
 - GL to circulate the prize spreadsheet

AOB

TF – the Lewis Moody day was cancelled. TF would still like to hold an event if possible

AL – still no frames for the past captains.

- Will discuss with TF ideas for new pictures

AM – there was an issue with Competition charging being set up on the Midweek championships

- It has been removed but some people had seen they were charged and topped up their accounts

GL - BRS says 3rd Sept is a members invitational, but this day is the Pro Am. Which is it?

- 3rd Sept is the Pro-Am. TF and pro shop staff will be arranging this week

GL – Will there be a member's invitational?

- Not this year.
- Ensure it gets in the diary for next year.

TF – is getting many complaints from members re the speed of team matches

- All team captains must responsible for match timings and should re-iterate to DG members and visitors the need to keep up the pace of play to 2:10 per 9 holes
- This should be possible on betterball matches

Date of Next Meeting
Tuesday 24 th August 19:30