



## **Board Meeting Minutes - 20<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

**Present:** John Winn (President), Bill Watt (Captain), Peter Benn (Vice Captain), Richard Blackburn, Miles Foster, Jeremy Sheard, Paul Sharman, Chris Thompson, Stuart Carnie

Ryan Rastall (Head Professional) was invited to discuss professional/pro shop matters

**Apologies:** Ray Smith (Vice President), David Jones, Ian Gledhill

### **Ryan/professional/pro shop matters discussed:**

- Pro shop opening hours were discussed and agreed as:
  - Monday – Friday = 08:00-18:00
  - Saturdays = 06:30-17:00
  - Sundays = 07:00-16:00
- CLUB V1 station for inputting of scores proposed to be moved into the 19<sup>th</sup> bar area, SC confirmed that the current station which is “OUT OF SERVICE” currently will be reinstated on the 28<sup>th</sup> August
- Ladies are to be encouraged to input their score on either of the CLUB V1 stations going forward. SC & RR to follow up
- RR stated that retail sales via the pro shop were steady and his focus is custom fit & teaching in the short term
- Management of green fee rates discussed, and it was agreed to continue to flex rates to fit in with dip periods to maximize tee sheet usage, Mondays are to be the main focus as currently this is by far the quietest day of the week

- JW discussed proposal for “fibre wireless connection works” to enhance coverage in the clubhouse/pro shop. RR confirmed that the investment needed from himself was too much and could not commit
- RR left meeting at 18:38

Previous board meeting minutes from 22<sup>nd</sup> July were confirmed to be a fair representation of what was discussed

**Matter arising from previous board meeting:**

- JW requested to revert to the old format of minutes, SC to record as previous

**Correspondence:**

- Nathan Dandy proposal to reduce the amount of cash being handled within the golf club by better discount for electronic top ups, visitors to receive discounts for electronic payment & discount for members paying subscription electronically was discussed. It was agreed that this would be taken away and discussed at a finance meeting. RB & JS to follow up
- Ken Lawrenson proposal for a potential reciprocal membership agreement with Sherwood Forest GC was discussed and it was agreed by the board to progress the proposal to the next stage. SC to liaise with Ken Lawrenson
- Phillip Stanton email to the board in relation to the club’s dress code being abused more regularly was discussed and it was agreed that more needs to be done starting in the pro shop when golfers are registering for their tee times. SC to drive this. It was also agreed that the current positioning of the dress code rules is not prominent enough. PB to move to more prominent position. SC to also alter visiting groups conformations with more emphasis on dress code rules.
- An electronic barrier was discussed for positioning at the end of golf lane to improve security and misuse of the practice facilities. SC to investigate further

**Finance:**

- RB gave update regarding current financial situation
- Paylings (clubs accountants) will be training Sam Hardwick (Managing Secretaries Assistant) on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

- RB confirmed that Natwest Bank will be coming back to him week com 26<sup>th</sup> August & RB will update outcome in due course
- MF & the board thanked RB for his hard work and commitment in recent times due to the staffing situation

#### **House:**

- HWH operations questioned by CT with regards to lack of food offering at certain times and then food being given away complimentary to members later in the day in the 19<sup>th</sup>. BW & SC to follow up and discuss with catering team
- A house forum was suggested to be held to allow members the opportunity to discuss house related issues with committee members. SC to co-ordinate
- Social calendar to be re-visited and revitalized going forward. SC & PS to liaise and follow up
- It was suggested that there may be the need for larger televisions in the 19<sup>th</sup> to allow for viewing of sports events and encourage more footfall in the 19<sup>th</sup> generating additional F&B revenue. JW to follow up
- Sunday lunches have so far gone well, and a steady flow of bookings are being taken, it was asked whether the service would be opened up to the public. BW will review over the coming weeks and feedback in due course

#### **Greens:**



Greens committee meeting 13-08-2019.

- Greens committee meeting minutes attached

#### **AOB:**

- PB asked if the club wanted to replace the lights in both male & female changing to LED, this would be an approximate £500 outlay but would save the club money going forward on electricity charges
- Simon Day proposal for block booking Sunday tee times was approved by the board, this is on the understanding that this will not impact visiting group revenue and the tee times would have to be relinquished if a sizable group booking wished to book

- RB suggested that there should be a formal thankyou sent to the senior's section for their contribution donation to the stroke indexes

**Meeting closed @ 20:40**

**Next meeting: 17<sup>th</sup> September @ 6pm (October meeting 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm)**