

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tues 13th February 2024

Attendees : Andy Meredith, Helen Lake, Gill Lane, Sandy Byfield, Tom Fleming, Nigel Thorne, Bernie Martin, Sarah Jolly, Steve Warren, Giles Bennet, Andy Storer.

1. Apologies : Iain Cottingham, Kieran Watson, Joanne Newman.
2. Minutes of last meeting - Approved.

Items C/F

- a. Competition Charging review - complete, remain as we are for now.
- b. Election of President - The existing President was the sole applicant and will continue in the post for a further 3 years from 1st June 2024.
Alternative methods of selecting President to be investigated for future appointments.
- c. Honours boards in bar completed - Suppliers have all the necessary information, AS having contact problems, will continue to chase them.
- d. Measurement for new tees - TF organising.
- e. WHS changes, new tables on 1st tee - SB to send latest tables to NT to organise.
- f. New range mats - Budget does not currently allow for new mats, existing ones will be cleaned. - remove from agenda.
- g. Diary updated to show course closure dates - complete - remove from agenda.

3. General Managers Report.

Joanne unable to attend the meeting and no report sent.

TF - sale of Donnington Grove continues with multiple viewings.

4. Director of Golf Report.

1st tee turf starting to grow in and will be able to be cut soon.

Winter spraying of fungicides and fertilisers in ongoing.

Grinding out of the tree stumps left after thinning out has begun.

Drainage across the driveway is being looked at.

Results of the roll up survey by TF result in majority of members preferring a Tuesday, booking on ClubV1, possible entry fee, many prefer a qualifying comp. TF to discuss with IC as predominantly seniors who will play. Will be introduced from March.

Plan to re introduce qualifying rounds from March 1st. Course conditions and weather dependant.

5. Treasurers Report - as below.

Donnington Grove Golf Committee**Income & Expenditure Account**3 Months to
31 January 2024Year to
31 October 2023**Income**

Competitions Income	1,471.00	13,370.00
Card charges	(10.57)	(68.53)
Fines charged	-	10.00
Less: Vouchers	(1,075.00)	(7,900.00)
Prizegiving	(105.00)	(4,365.00)
	<u>(1,180.00)</u>	<u>(12,265.00)</u>
	280.43	1046.47
Club Ties	0.92	0.92
Interest received	44.05	117.84
Total Income	325.40	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	35.00	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	20.00	60.00
Total Expenditure	545.00	2112.00
Profit/Loss	-219.60	-946.77

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Balance Sheet

	31-Jan 2024	31-Oct 2023
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	64.63	278.54
Bank: deposit account	8002.77	10058.72
Stock - Club ties 6 remaining	114.48	133.56
Competitions money due	68.34	639.00
Donnington Diners Float	299.25	299.25
Total Current Assets	8549.47	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	320.00	320.00
Memorial Fund	25.00	135.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2024	135.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	0.00	795.00
Total Liabilities	1855.22	4495.22
Total Net Current Assets	6694.25	6913.85
General Fund brought forward	6913.85	7860.62
Profit/Loss for the year	-219.60	-946.77
General Fund carried forward	6694.25	6913.85

6. Competition Secretary Report.

Members Memorial cancelled due to bad weather.

TF and AM selected new date and set up on ClubV1.

All booking retained, AM will email entrants when booking opens so they can edit as necessary.

Trophy engraving and Honours Boards.

Agreed that a representative of the Competition Committee will assist the President in collating the necessary information and getting engraving completed.

TF offered assistance with Honours Boards in bar.

The question of etiquette in competitions has been raised with some players perhaps employing gamesmanship and generally not respecting others while playing (talking or moving around while others playing a shot).

There are still instances reported of members taking Gimmes in competitions and not handing in cards.

After some discussion it is felt that another email communication might not be the best action, and for now each incident should be taken individually and the offenders made aware of the indiscretions.

Competition entry monitoring, ongoing AM. Will re introduce to Agenda when we have more information.

Drawn social competitions.

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

Competitions committee to select a suitable comp and set up.

Previous Competition Committee meeting minutes as below -:

**Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 7th February 2024**

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

1 **Apologies** – None.

2 **Minutes of Last Meeting** – Approved.

3 **Items Carried Forward**

- a. No Shows – Winter Warmer – **GL** sent an email to TF about RH/TP payment, no reply yet. Monthly Stableford **AM** will speak to member about not finishing competition. GL had a situation in Sunday Stableford where there was doubt about marker's score. Sorted.
- b. Manual – updated and put on website. Also needs to go on V1. **SL** has done this.
- c. Boards need to be updated, outstanding together with four new boards. **BM** to remind AS.
- d. Non Qualifying has been almost 10 weeks. TF to consider after 11th February. It was mentioned that some clubs have three months without qualifiers. Some discussion was had regarding our current qualifying criteria, with regard to Club Championships. It was decided to leave it as it is for the time being. To be considered at the next Main Committee meeting.
- e. Competition charging – **AM** did a full report covering the pros and cons. We will continue to use the current system and use a card machine.
- f. Change to Slope - from April 2024. **SB** has sent an email out. He gave out copies of the new tables which will be effective from 1st April 2024.
- g. OOB on 11th, **AM** will check with TF.

4 **Rota** – Updated.

5 **Upcoming Competitions**

- a. Winter knockouts – deadline 3rd March. **BM**
- b. February Stableford and Robert Burns competitions, red tees were not adjusted. Take to main committee meeting. **AM**
- c. Club Champs entry form deadline to be changed to 30th June. **AM**
- d. 10th Feb Members Memorial. No additional help needed. Registration and results will be done in the upstairs bar, cash and card reader (**AM**). Prizes presented on the day. **SL/JB**.
- a. 9th March Grove Foursomes **SB**. SB advised from 01.04.24 there will be a change to the Foursomes handicap allowance, 95% of exact handicap.

6 **AOB**

- b. Competition Manual – should a copy be kept somewhere safe? **SB** will put a copy on V1.
- c. Berkshire Ladies Inter Club Shield – the Japan Cup will be used as a qualifier.
- d. Champagne Roll Up – the first members draw will be in May, roll up will start on 5th April, need cover for 12th April. Some adjustments may be needed to keep up with the new WHS changes. **RH/TP** to sort.
- e. Masters Par 3 will go ahead in April. **TF**
- f. In a recent competition a "gimmee" was offered. Hole was played out correctly.
- g. **GL** – Daily Mail competitions have qualifying criteria. Our competition requirements should cover this.
- h. **GL** – will be away for Charity Day, 14th September.
- i. **GL** – The website shows results split into men and ladies. This is a V1 issue. **SL** will investigate.

7. Lady Captain Report.

Quiet time of year so far, various Ladies matches commence in the coming weeks.

8. Senior Captains Report.

Availability sheet for summer seniors matches being set up.

Information sent out to seniors section has resulted in more members making themselves available to play in seniors matches.

9. Members questions / Members Reps.

Nothing to add that has not been already covered.

10. AOB.

HL - Buggies seen going path on RH side of 2nd hole instead of LH side that leads to the green. Signage needs updating.

SJ - Can some of the fallen and cut down timber around the course be used to form bug hotels. TF good idea, will implement.

SJ - Can we have a winter position for the bell on the 8th hole, TF to investigate.

NT - Is screen for scores working in the bar area. TF yes its working, just needs to be switched on each time required. TF to show some of us how to operate.

NT - How was the Rugby social received. TF it was advertised a little late.

NT - Are any changes to the halfway hut offerings coming. TF it will be the same for now.

AS - Committee away day for 2023 committee members has been booked for Friday 8th March at Badgemore Park golf club. AS to co ordinate.

SB - For info - GB will be reviewing the Competitions manual and suggesting areas for updating.

TF - Looking into migrating ClubV1 into BRS/ Golf Genius software. Will send link to committee members with some details.

Date of Next meeting - Tuesday 12th March 2024 19.00.

