

# Committee Meeting Minutes

## Tues 9th April 2024

Attendees : Andy Meredith, Gill Lane, Sandy Byfield, Tom Fleming, Bernie Martin, Steve Warren, Sarah Jolly, Kieran Watson, Helen Lake, Iain Cottingham, Nigel Thorne, Andy Storer.

1. Apologies : Giles Bennet.
2. Minutes of last meeting - Approved.

### Items C/F

- a. Honours boards in bar completed - AS has been chasing, looking at alternative suppliers.
- b. Measurement for new tees - Not in budget at present. Remove from agenda.
- c. WHS changes, new tables on 1st tee and outside pro shop - completed.
- d. Signage for buggies on hole 2. - completed.
- e. Bell position on 8th hole. - remaining in current position, wet ground around base  
Needs attention, green staff aware.
- f. New operations manager - Philip Caulfield been appointed.
- g. Rules evening - TF to arrange, general opinion a Monday would be good.

### 3. General Managers Report.

No report sent. - AM to contact Joanne regarding future meetings.

#### 4. Director of Golf Report.

Course maintenance under way, a day behind schedule due to coring machine issues. All fixed now and greens have been cored and sanded, tees to be done next. Fairways to be sprayed to clear weeds and daisies.

Membership invoices have been emailed, as always a few members not renewing, however no real negative feedback.

SB inquired when current trolley ban will be lifted. TF grass is now growing well and if dry conditions remain, the ban will be lifted shortly.

NT - Is the greenkeeper consultant from last year going to be re instated, as he made a noticeable difference to the quality of the course, by monitoring and encouraging the greens staff. TF not in the budget to do so.

#### 5. Treasurers Report - as below.

Figures show we are slightly behind budget to date, due to cancelled competitions and low entry numbers because of course conditions and weather.

Summer knockouts entries completed, BM to arrange entry fees are passed to accounts.

AS and KW requested new ties.

## Donnington Grove Golf Committee

### Balance Sheet

	31-Mar 2024	31-Oct 2023
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank: current account	159.00	278.54
Bank: deposit account	7378.06	10058.72
Stock - Club ties 6 remaining	114.48	133.56
Competitions money due	348.07	639.00
Donnington Diners Float	299.25	299.25
Champagne Rollup Float	250.00	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>8548.86</b>	<b>11409.07</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Provision for Prize Giving 2023	370.00	2345.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2022	900.22	900.22
Provision for Prize Giving 2024	305.00	
Accrued costs	0.00	320.00
Memorial Fund	105.00	135.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2024	135.00	
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	0.00	795.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1815.22</b>	<b>4495.22</b>
<b>Total Net Current Assets</b>	<b>6733.64</b>	<b>6913.85</b>
General Fund brought forward	6913.85	7860.62
Profit/Loss for the year	-180.21	-946.77
<b>General Fund carried forward</b>	<b>6733.64</b>	<b>6913.85</b>

**Donnington Grove Golf Committee****Income & Expenditure Account**

	5 Months to 31 March 2024	Budget to date	Year to 31 October 2023
<b>Income</b>			
Competitions Income	2,471.00		13,370.00
Card charges	(15.57)		(68.53)
Fines charged	-		10.00
Less: Vouchers	(1,765.00)		(7,900.00)
Prizegiving	(305.00)		(4,365.00)
	<u>(2,070.00)</u>		<u>(12,265.00)</u>
	385.43	570.00	1046.47
Club Ties	0.92	-	0.92
Interest received	69.34	75.00	117.84
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>455.69</b>	<b>645.00</b>	<b>1165.23</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Berkshire Ladies comps	35.00	35.00	184.00
England Golf Race to Woodhall Spa	0.00	0.00	70.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	85.00	85.00	155.00
RDICL Scratch League	225.00	225.00	-75.00
Kyocera/Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	230.00	230.00	210.00
Inter-club Challenge	0.00	0.00	240.00
Committee Golf Day	0.00	0.00	320.00
30th Anniversary sponsorship	0.00	0.00	900.00
Memorial plaques	0.00	0.00	48.00
Competition expenses	35.90	0.00	
Bank charges	25.00	25.00	60.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>635.90</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>2112.00</b>
<b>Profit/Loss</b>	<b>-180.21</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>-946.77</b>

## 6. Competition Secretary Report.

GB has reviewed the competitions manual. SB processing changes.

IC - Can we confirm the correct handicap calculation for team pairs betterball matches.

SB - As part of the recent WHS changes course handicap is calculated, then 90% of the difference is taken from the lowest handicap player by the other players.

GL - was scratch KO re drawn. AM confirmed it was so as to split the best players into both sides of the draw.

Previous Competition Committee meeting minutes as below -:

**Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024**

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

- 1 **Apologies.**
- 2 **Minutes of Last Meeting** – Approved.
- 3 **Items Carried Forward**
  - a. No Shows - no further action.
  - b. Boards - AS has a few items to update.
  - c. Change to Course Handicap, new boards are now up.
  - d. Website results – V1 are busy with the current changes. SL awaiting an answer.
  - e. Competitions Manual has been reviewed by GB. SB itemised various changes, he will amend the Manual and send it to committee for consideration.
  - f. Drawn Social Competitions – this will be trialled for the Spring Meeting. BM/SM/SL
- 4 **Rota** – Updated.
- 5 **Upcoming Competitions**
  - a. Winter knockouts – Singles winner P Caulfield, Doubles being played 7<sup>th</sup> April. Query as to which handicaps to use. Discussed and agreed new handicaps should be used. BM to send email to competitors. BM Done.
  - b. Summer Knockouts – forms and reminder sent out deadline 6<sup>th</sup> April at 1800.
  - c. Club Champs sub-committee meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> April 7pm in upstairs bar. BM to advise TF.
  - d. Champagne Roll Up – all in hand for 5<sup>th</sup> April start.
  - e. 6<sup>th</sup> April Medal – AM. Men will be off the yellow tees. Pick and place in the rough was requested. It was discussed/agreed pick and place only on fairway and through greens.
  - f. 10<sup>th</sup> April Master Par 3 (TF). Midweek Stableford has been left on as people may want to get qualifiers in. BM
  - g. 21<sup>st</sup> April St Georges Day Cup BM/SL. GL queried if this should be qualifying. Subsequent to meeting it has been discovered that to make a 4BBB acceptable for handicap the stroke allowance has to be set at 85%. We will leave this one at 100%. Future 4BBB should be set up as acceptable for handicap.
  - h. 27<sup>th</sup> April Japan Cup – RH.
  - i. 4<sup>th</sup> May monthly medal – SB. This will be a qualifier for the BB&O Centenary Event (men). SB will include this information on relevant correspondence.
  - j. 6<sup>th</sup> May Spring Scramble – BM/SM/SL.
  - k. 11<sup>th</sup> May Parasampia Bogey – GL.
  - l. 25<sup>th</sup> May Mixed Greensomes – AM.
- 6 **AOB**
  - a. TF advised at the last main committee meeting that he will be cutting an unused adjoining field for "foot" golf.
  - b. V1/PSI appears to have been updated. Asking for markers. BM to send an email to all members. BM done
  - c. Qualifying Criteria for upcoming Board competitions – send a reminder email. BM done.
  - d. SV – query as to whether a player can play an 18 hole competition and use 9 holes for a general play. No it can't be done, V1 resolved it.
  - e. SB – Multi Tee competitions can now be set up on V1.

## 7. Lady Captain Report.

Ladies matches are ongoing, eliminated from the Duncan Trophy, Kyocera KO's have been drawn and start soon. Nothing further to report.

## 8. Senior Captains Report.

Seniors matches are up and running, not as many players making themselves available for selection as anticipated.

Clive Richards volunteered to run the Seniors Charity Bowl this year.

Tuesday roll ups being well attended.

Some seniors struggling to reach the fairway on the 6th hole now tee is moved back.  
TF noted.

Player on 3rd tee with headphones nearly hit by ball as could not hear shout of Fore.  
TF noted.

AS questioned if Seniors should represent club in matches with outdated handicaps.  
IC added that has been an issue with the senior section for some time, however players without recent qualifying cards are permitted to play in friendly matches at the moment.

## 9. Members questions / Members Reps.

NT.

Can the 5th tee be properly levelled at the front. TF this request has been passed to DK.

Is the ditch on the 5th now necessary. TF it does the job it was intended although needs some attention now.

Can the broken ball cleaners be replaced. TF will look into, may not be in budget.

OOB markers on 11 and 12. TF completed.

Can we take relief from greenkeepers tyre tracks on the course. TF the committee can adopt a local rule to allow free relief.

Some pin positions have been placed near diseased areas on greens. TF difficult to always avoid them, pins moved twice a week and need to be in different areas of the green. Tee markers and pin positions are decided by the green staff.

Any news on the sale of the company or the bridge repairs. No news from management AM to ask Joanne.

Will work on the 4th fairway bunker be done now drying. TF not done this season, had little opportunity over winter due to the weather. AS enquired, could the bank be cut so balls roll back in and do not sit on the steep areas.

Any plans for mixed tee competitions. This was discussed at last Competitions meeting, intend to trial a fun comp later in the year.

Mixed tee courses discussed as a good way of giving options, the cost implications of new tee measuring as proposed by TF some months ago has at best put this on hold.



10. AOB.

KW - Can we decide earlier when we change a medal to a stableford due to weather and course conditions, giving members better information to decide about entering.

AS - The halfway house has not improved and many members are not using it.  
AM will ask Joanne for update.

AS - Looking into a new bench for the memorial area, existing benches to be maintained  
When the weather improves.

SB - Possible issue with ClubV1 linking handicap changes for players with EG.  
Sent a question to ClubV1, no response yet.

SB - email from a member questioning winnings for runner up in knockouts.  
GL to investigate and reply.

Date of Next meeting - Tuesday 14th May 2024 19.00.







