



Donnington Grove Golf Club	
Attendees:	Rob Hinson(RH) Gill Lane(GL) Andy Storer (AS) Berni Martin (BM) Dave Knight(DK) Andy Meredith (AM) Helen Lake (HL) Toni Prince (TP) Luke Inglut (LI) Giles Bennet (GB) Nigel Thorn (HT) Clive Richards (CR) Jazz Kang (JK) Tom Fleming (TF)
Apologies:	Nigel Roberts-Green (NRG)
Minute Taker:	Andy Storer
	Date: Wednesday 23rd November 2022 Location; Donnington Gove Golf Club

Agenda

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting
 - Matters / Actions arising
 - i. Advertise ready play policy (TF)
 - ii. General Managers Report
 - iii. Members Reps
 - iv. Seniors matches update
 - Agreement of minutes
3. General Manager's Report (NRG)
 - a) Incl Sale of DG update
4. Director of Golf Report (TF)
5. Treasurer's Report (GL)
6. Competition Secretary's report / Sub Committee minutes (BM)
7. Lady Captain's Report & Social Committee Report/ Mins (TP)
8. Seniors Captain's Report (CR)
9. Members Questions
10. A.O.B
 - a) Non qualifying comps & Tees
11. Date of Next Meeting

Minutes of last Meeting

The minutes of the November meeting were approved by committee and signed by the captain Rob Hinson

Matters/Actions arising from minutes

Advertise ready play policy

(TF) to publish ready play policy to members, **(CR)** to collate and publish to the senior section.

General Managers Report

No Report given

Matters/Actions arising from the GM report

Director of Golf Report

If someone else is reading this it means the little man is not letting me talk but my apologies for not being there this evening

A few points from me this evening
Firstly, dates for committee away day
9th Dec
27th Jan
16th Feb
17th March

Clubs available Oxford GC, The Oxfordshire, The Lambourne, Studley Wood.
If we can choose one, then I can book it otherwise maybe I can just book something and those that can make it great but unfortunate for the others

We are looking at enforcing a non-qualifying period for Dec and Jan to allow us to save tees and move things around where needed
Comps can still run just would be non-qualifying

The greens team's main job over the last month has been clearing leaves which is a thankless task at best

We have moved the ball machine to the new shed and the new shoe cleaning area is finished bar connecting the pipework for the air guns this should be done in the next couple of days

Fungicides and turf hardeners have continued to be put down this month to try and reduce the fusarium

The OOB posts on 8 have been re-instated as the line faded too fast to keep on top of

We have just purchased some more anti slip strips for the bridge, and these should go down in the next couple of days

There will be tree work in December and then in Jan and Feb will be bunker work also the re do of the 10th tee box steps

Xmas opening times for the shop and hotel - both will be closed on Christmas day and boxing day but will re-open on the 27th

The course will be open for members to play but with no tee times

Thank you

Tom

Matters/Actions arising from the D.O.G report

(TF) There will be some work carried out on the 13th fairway, we will be boring holes with an auger and filling them with stone to try and help with the drainage.

(TF) Some work on several trees around the course, which will aide the team when cutting rough with the machines and removal of some dead wood.

(TF) Bunker work will start post the Christmas period.

(TF) Work on the 10th tee will start as soon as possible, which will entail replacing the steps and putting sleepers around the tee.

(TF) The winter scramble on the 27th will be a shotgun start.

(DK) would it be possible for all golf throughout December and January to be non-qualifying, this will enable us to close some tees to protect them through the bad weather, and to move some traffic into different areas of the course. I also propose to put out some shorter tees for both men and ladies through these months.

A vote on this was conducted and the proposal was carried unanimously.

Treasureres Report

Donnington Grove Golf Committee Budget for the year November 2022 to October 2023

Expected Annual Revenue Budget Competitions , net of vouchers and prizegiving

From Medals/Stablefords	930
12 Board Comps	1200
Summer KO's	300
Winter KO's	200
Club Champs	450
Other 5 fun comps	150
Card charges	0
Club Ties	0
Interest	0
Fines	
	Costs associated with competitions
Trophy Engraving	400
Honours Boards Updating	

Trophies not relating to comps

Captains Drive -In	40x3 120
Most Improved Players	40x3 120
Hole in Ones £50 each	250
Club Person of the Year	40
Order of Merit winners	150
Other (eg High Silver League)	200-1630

Total Expected Net Competitions Revenue	1600
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Expected Annual Costs

Ladies County Competitions (Duncan, I/C Shield, AU)	175
England Ladies Golf Medal	30
Mens BBO Comps (Hillman, Champ Club, Foursomes)	150
RDICL Scratch League	225
Annodata (Men & Ladies, 2 teams each)	210
Newbury Interclub Challenge	300
Committee Golf Day	300
Captains Blazers	100
Memorials	50
Bank charges	60

Total expected costs	1600
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Net Profit/Loss	0
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Matters/Actions arising from Treasurers report

(GB) What are the competition cost under the expected annual cost section.

(GL) Each year we enter county and national competitions which the club /committee pay the entry fees for.

Competitions Report

Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 8th November 2022

Attendees: Rob Hinson, Bernie Martin, Andy Meredith, Sandy Byfield, Steve Lillywhite, Jazz Kang, Steve Martin, Chris Webb, Jools Black

1. Apologies – Gill Lane

2. Minutes of Last Meeting – Approved.

3. Items Carried Forward

- Competitions Manual – all done.
- Club V1 Casual Rounds – JK to try out when playing.
- Handicap Review – JK will send out reports and review will take place at the December meeting.
- Committee to raise any names they consider necessary for review with JK.

4. Rota

Amended.

5. Order of Merit Competitions

AM to continue next year.

6. Upcoming Competitions

1. *11th December Sunday Stableford Winter Warmer – four ball betterball – Jazz will monitor uptake.*
2. *24th December – usual Saturday Stableford.*
3. *27th December – Texas Scramble – BM to speak to Tom about a shotgun start or alternate format.*
4. *Winter Knockouts – SL to print out draws and put on notice board. BM to monitor results.*

7. AOB

CW – is Senior's rep on competition committee - can we add Seniors as an agenda item in the future.

CW – can we consider the Champagne Roll Up rules, ie: players shouldn't play the course before competition. RH to invite Geoff and Graham to the January meeting to discuss further.

SB – No Shows – he has put together template wording for various scenarios. Competition organisers to advise BM of any no shows - BM will send email. Actual response / explanation will be tabled at the next meeting for consideration.

SB – Fun Competitions – can we add rules to set up / cards to avoid confusion. For example, people were placing in the rough at the recent Texas Scramble.

AM – has collected a fine from one no show at the Parasampia competition. Player is banned from the next board competition. Fine monies to be given to pro shop.

AM – to update WhatsApp group with JB and CW.

SL - List of committee members to go on web site.

SL - Try to reduce Tom's workload and ask him if you need his help.

JB - Can we have a Prize Funds update published. SL to speak with GL.

SM – Key to competition box – he will get several cuts.

JK – advised that handicaps are not required on competition cards from January 2023.

BM - There was one no show at the Drive In.

BM – Tom has suggested if there is more than a 30-minute delay to a competition, it will be cancelled / re-arranged.

BM – there is a competition clash on 9th September 2023 – the Parasampia is on the same day as a Berkshire Ladies competition which is being held at DG. BM to ask Tom if Parasampia can be played on 8th September.

BM – to speak to Tom about competitions not on BRS.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 7th December, 7pm in the Avon room

Matters Questions from Competitions Committee report.

Lady Captains Report

Ladies Captain's Report – For Committee meeting Wednesday 23rd November 2022

Not really too much to report on during my first month of captaincy.

I am holding the Ladies Xmas social on Thursday 15th December – 9 holes of golf followed by buffet lunch. I currently have 33 Ladies listed to play...I have requested 9 t-times (Tom to confirm please)...which at the moment accommodates 6 x 4-balls & 3 x 3 balls

Clive Richards and Mike Pritchard (Santa!) have kindly agreed to provide mulled wine & mince pies at the storm hut, however, I do also have someone who has volunteered to be our "guess the Santa" and offered to drive a buggy around the course with refreshments.

Social Committee

Xmas Ball is to be held on 10th December. I did originally have x 10 Tables of 10 reserved, however, we now only have 55 participants attending even though 3 reminders were sent...This is broken down as follows:

- 1 table of 7 = 7 (Table 1)
- 2 tables of 10 = 20 (Tables 2 & 3)
- 3 tables of 8 = 24 (Tables 4, 6 & 7)
- 1 table of 6 = 4 (Table 5)
- TOTAL = 55

Next Social committee meeting is TBC

Toni

20 November 2022 – updated 23 November 2022

Matters arising Questions from Lady Captains report

Senior Captains Report/Newsletter

Members Questions

(AM) Is it possible to place temporary tee mats next to the tees.

(DK) temporary tee mats need to be away from the main tees to allow foot traffic to be directed into other areas of the course to protect the tee areas. Also, when we are working on tee areas, we need to be away from play for H+S requirements.

(NT) Dave Warwick ask me to ask if the yardage stones will be back in place soon

(DK) Firstly, many thanks to Dave for spending the time to find all the fairway yardage stones, we are hoping to get them all back in place and repainted in the spring.

(TP) Is it possible to move the winter scramble (turkey trot away from the day after the Christmas Ball, there may be some heavy heads on the day

(BM) It is too late this year; however, we can investigate it for next year.

(NT) Will there be a blue tee course on all holes.

(DK) Yes

(AM) Which tee will we be able to play winter knockouts from

(BM) The knockout forms state they should be played from the longest tee of the day.

(GB) With some poor areas on the greens through the winter months, is it possible to keep the pins away from these areas.

(DK) We must move pin placements regularly, otherwise we will create compaction on the greens in areas where the pins are left for a long period of time.

A.O.B

(BM) We have recently had a fog delay on a competition day, what is the longest time we can delay a competition and still proceed with the competition.

(ALL) A general discussion was had by all, it was felt that 30-40 mins was workable, to be able to carry on with the competition, as this period was generally easy to catch up on the day, which would not have a massive knock-on effect on later tee times especially through the winter months. 1 hour would probably affect the whole day and result in members and visitors not being able to complete rounds. It was decided to consult with (TF) on the matter.

(TP) After the discussion at the AGM this year regarding senior ladies playing in senior competitions, how does the committee think we can move this forward.

(ALL) The general thinking around the challenge, is, we should be pro-active with our goals, and contact local clubs (up to 4) by formal letter, email or verbally, to gauge reaction, to possibly starting a small league of games with totally integrated teams. (TF) would welcome this initiative and free tee times for the matches. (TP) & (CR) to progress with the initiative.

(RH) Would **(DK)** welcome the use of playing matts carried by golfers through the winter months to aide with protection of the course.

(DK) Yes these do help and cut down on divots etc through the winter months, I will get costings for the mats.

Captain closed the meeting 20.20

Date of next meeting;- Tuesday 23rd December

Venue;- Avon Room Donnington Grove Golf Club

