

CLACTON-ON-SEA GOLF CLUB

NOTES OF THE SENIORS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd August 2023 AT 9.45AM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Baggalley (BB Captain), John Kemp (JK Hon. Secretary), David Needham (DN Hon Treasurer), Geoff Haslam (GH), David Reid (DR), Terry Hewitt (TH Vice Captain) Paul Tubbs (PT), Conor Kinnerk (CK Imm Past Captain) Gary Dymond (GD) and Michael Horley (MH)

APOLOGIES

Conor Kinnerk made a late apology due to an unexpected problem but arrived before the end of the meeting.

NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The notes on the last meeting were approved by the Committee and signed by the Captain.

MATTERS ARISING

BB asked how things were progressing on the new Seniors notice board and the recoating of the bench we donated in honour of Jeff Sinnott. Both these matters will be attended to shortly.

The Gage Cup is proving difficult to arrange as the Ladies are not keen on playing on a Thursday. The committee are wary of arranging it on a Friday, so the suggestion was made to play it on Thursday 5th October in place of the Texas Scramble. MH will take this up with the Ladies Captain.

CK reported the John Day team were defeated in the Quarter final by Nazing.

Captains Report

BB gave a resume of the results of inter club matches played to date he had previously circulated. He is very happy with the numbers of Seniors wishing to enter and the general camaraderie at the matches. The results are going surprisingly well with a double already achieved against Colchester.

BB spoke about an issue with two Seniors who were unhappy not to have been picked for Inter Club Matches (IC).

One is a new member who, at the time of complaining, had not played in any Senior's matches and therefore was not registered. It was explained to him the criteria for playing in an IC match and he said he only wanted to play in two away matches anyway. It was pointed out that due to the number of Seniors wishing to partake he cannot pick and choose which IC match he plays in. It was also pointed out that is expected that players in away matches should make themselves available for the home match.

The other Senior claimed to have been ignored for IC matches. BB had checked the IC match records for this season and they showed the Senior in question had not entered his name on any entry sheet published to date.

BB advised he will be unavailable to represent the Seniors in two matches in September. Vice-Captain TH will stand in for him.

TREASURERS REPORT

DN reported the balances as:-

Club Card £1363

Bank balance £699

Total £2002

Captain's Charity 2023 £865 (down as a supply of balls purchased)

Balance £1197

DN said he is happy that funds are still increasing and has done a projection for the year. He is happy that the increasing numbers and the small entry fee increase has improved the cash flow to the point that he considers our financial position to be satisfactory

Thanks were given to the Competition Sub Committee for all their efforts in arranging the fun competitions which are being supported and indeed help to generate income. There had been little interest in the Roll Ups formerly run.

Guest Day costings were agreed however some members had insufficient funds to cover their entry fees. An email will be sent reminding them to check their card balances.

REGISTERED SENIORS NUMBERS

113 Due in part to a successful Captains Day

SECRETARY'S REPORT

JK advised that he had made some changes to the draft fixture list he previously circulated. Harwich would like to swap their matches around as they have an issue with their club insisting that winter wheels are used.

Their dates are now Monday March 25th at Clacton and Wednesday May 29th at Harwich.

Frinton have advised that they cannot host interclub matches on Mondays now as their Caterers no longer work Mondays. Their dates are now Wednesday July 10th at Frinton. The home match date on Monday April 15th is unchanged.

TH said next year's annual VETS tournament will be held at Purdis Heath on Thursday 25th July.

JK raised an issue with a matter discussed by the Board and subsequently put in their minutes.

This stated erroneously that the Seniors had recently cancelled a match with Colne Valley. This is untrue as there has not been an inter club match since 2018. These matches were cancelled as Colne Valley could not raise a team.

The Board may have heard a rumour that we had received an invitation from Colne Valley to enter a team in their Open Competition Event. The Committee decided not to take up the offer. This is not unusual as we receive such invitations on a regular basis from many other clubs in the area and often decline to enter. In fact we have since heard the Committee's judgement was entirely vindicated when two other local Golf Clubs – Colchester and Felixstowe Ferry – entered and then withdrew from the same event.

The committee will write a letter to the Board to ask for a full retraction of this untrue and misleading allegation from the Board minutes

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FUTURE COMPETITION STARTERS

14 th August	Fun Com	Early DR	Late GD
21 st August	Fun Com	Early DR	Late JK
4 th Sept	Fun Com	Early GD	Late PT
11 th Sept	Sept medal	Early GH	Late TH
18 th Sept	Fun Com	Early DR	Late MH

COMPETITION RESULTS

3rd June Medal Winner Paul Read
10th Stableford Winner G Roberts
17th 3 2 1 K. Lammerton, P. Cross, G. Saunders & R. Gillespie
24th Greens Greensomes P. Euston & T. Sutton
31st Foursomes L. Loberman & T. Wood

FUTURE COMPETITIONS

Guest Day PT was heartily thanked for his great efforts in arranging this. CK was also thanked for his input. The numbers are good with 60 entries, The score cards are already printed and ready. It was suggested that the Committee meet at 7.30 to be in good time for the 8am registration.

Score cards will be collected and checked by DR & TH to determine the winners. There will be a nearest the pin prize on all par three holes together with a nearest the pin in two. The office will be asked for a four-ball voucher.

Lunch will be on a rolling basis.

Christmas Social

BB would like to change the format following the poor attendance at last year's event. He would like to provide more of a party ambience at the event with Carol Singers during the meal and a Disco afterwards. The disco would be the one used by the club so the music can be varied to suit the evening. The carol singers would be from a local School who are looking to raise funds for their school music project which is a grand piano.

The dress code will be smart casual It was agreed the event will be open to all Club members and their partners and guests. It will be well publicised beforehand and the tickets will go on sale on a Monday to give our Registered Seniors the first chance to buy tickets.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

JK reported that reports as available are submitted to the office and to Brenda Lord.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

TH advised that the VETS Tournament Team came a very credible 4th. The tournament was won by Braintree, and he considered it to have been very well organised and run.

The Cripps Trophy was played recently in good spirit and was won by Lady Captain Fiona Cope and Peter Sweet.

There is a query on the trophy as the ladies feel it may have been wrongly engraved although it was noted that one of the matching trophies had been lost by the Ladies and found some time later. The engraving will be looked at in time for next year's presentation at our AGM.

There being no further issues the meeting closed at 11.38 am.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 12th September 2023 @ 9:45a.m. in the clubhouse.

Signed as a true record:

Bob Baggalley
Captain & Chairman