



Donnington Grove Golf Club	
Attendees:	Nigel Thorne, Giles Bennet, Tom Fleming, Berni Martin, Andy Meredith, Steve Warren, Iain Cottingham, Helen Lake, Andy Storer, Dan Buddy, Sandy Byfield.
Apologies:	Kieran Watson, Sarah Jolly
Minute Taker:	Andy Storer (AS)
Venue /Date	Tuesday 15th October 2024

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Apologies.**
- 2. Minutes of last meeting.**
Items carried forward.
 - a. New measured tees.**
 - b. Club Committee positions.**
 - c. Tri Series participation.**
 - d. Club AGM.**
- Approval of minutes.**
- 3. General managers report.**
- 4. Director of Golf report.**
- 5. Treasurers report.**
- 6. Competition Secretary report.**
- 7. Lady Captain report.**
- 8. Senior Captain report.**
- 9. Members questions / Members reps.**
- 10. AOB**

Matters/Actions arising from minutes

- a) New measured tees: - No progress
- b) Club Committee positions: - Deferred after previous committee meeting.
SW Questioned the discussion regarding the vote for treasurer.
IC. Questioned why the Club Constitution is not being followed regarding the position.
SW Should we review the Club Constitution and bring it more up to date.
AS The Club Constitution cannot be changed without going to the membership either at AGM or by Calling an EGM
DB Agreed with AS

GB Would it be possible to review and change the Club Constitution within the next Six months.

IC Should we put our hands up to the mistake made regarding this matter.

AS of course

After much discussion a vote was proposed

To continue with the outline set out in the constitution.

Vote was unanimous.

A working party to review the c

Club Constitution was agreed too, and will consist of:-

Andy Storer, Steve Warren, Tom Fleming, and Sandy Byfield.

A provisional date 15th April 2025 was set for an EGM.

C. Tri-series Participation:- Committee received several comments requesting to carry on playing the Tri-series, these comments came from team members, and the team Captain for 2025. It was agreed to remain playing in the series, and to look for different clubs to play a new series of matches against.

D. AGM. AS all in is place for the AGM.

Minutes of last meeting

December minutes approved and will be posted on the Club Website

General Managers Report

DB

- Extremely optimistic for the future of DG
- The property is no longer on the market
- All team are now in uniform
- New coffee machine will be installed behind the bar to enable better service from the bar tea, also a coffee machine will be installed outside Toms office to enable players to grab a coffee before playing if the bar is busy.
- Bar drink products are currently under review, this will allow us to offer a more premium range of products to members and visitors alike.
- Very impressed with the current kitchen team, we are working on a new "Bistro" style menu which we will be presenting to members for feedback.
- We have undertaken some quick fixes, some rooms have been decorated, reception has been re decorated, upstairs toilets will be given a spruce up, all these projects have been completed in house at very little cost.
- Repairs to the bridge across the river to the tenth tee will be completed by the end of this year.
- We are all working together to bring the different areas of the estate together to work towards a common goal.

Matters/Actions arising from the GM report

IC. The standard of post match food has been poor throughout the year.

DB. We have taken that on board, that is one of the drivers to produce the new menu as quickly as possible.

HL The standard of meals has improved in reagent weeks.

DB The service throughout has to improve.

Director of Golf Report

As Dan has confirmed the bridge to the tenth is planned to be completed by the end of the year, more favourable quotes have been received. We are endeavouring to bring the whole team together with a clear direction, with regular meetings.

All fairways will be vertical drained through out the coming weeks, we have hired a 2.4meter machine which is pulled by a tractor, it will punch 16 inch holes in the fairways, which we hope will aide surface water to be able to drain as the top surface will be broken up, we believe this has never been done before on the course, The holes will remain opethis time if it is successful, we hope it will become an annual maintenance to be carried out.

The greens team will carry on with there winter maintenance plan of cutting and spraying, which we are hopeful will help us through the winter months and take us into the playing season in a great place. The project to re shape the cross bunker on the fourth hole has been shelved for the foreseeable future.

We have a new website which is now live. We are kin a positive place going forward.

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

IC. The green keepers used a different roller for the greens when we hosted the DP Tour qualifier, are there any plans to upgrade our existing equipment, the difference in the greens was amazing.

TF It is a possibility for the equipment to be upgraded, we are also planning to continue with our planed work on the greens surface, which will be coring, sanding and over seeding with the correct type of creeping bent seed which the DP tour agronomist has help with planning, all the greens should be as consistent as the putting green outside the summer house rooms, this is the only green on the estate which is creeping bent.

AS Are ther any major projects planned for the coming year on the course.

TF w e area currently working to put a five year plan together with costing etc to present to the owners.

NT Will the divot bags be available through the winter months.

TF the divot bags will be taken in, it is a waste to divot with a seed mix when the ground temperature drops below 5 degrees.

Donnington Grove Golf CommitteeBalance Sheet

	31-Oct 2023	31-Oct 2022
Current Assets		
Bank: current account	278.54	97.17
Bank: deposit account	10058.72	10140.88
Stock - Club ties 7 remaining	133.56	152.64
Competitions money due	639.00	1087.00
Donnington Diners Float	299.25	
Total Current Assets	11409.07	11477.69
Current Liabilities		
Provision for Prize Giving 2023	2345.00	0.00
Provision for Prize Giving 2022	900.22	2567.07
Accrued costs	320.00	300.00
Memorial Fund	135.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2023	795.00	0.00
Outstanding Vouchers 2022	0.00	750.00
Total Liabilities	4495.22	3617.07
Total Net Current Assets	6913.85	7860.62
General Fund brought forward	7860.62	7854.51
(Loss)/Profit for the year	-946.77	6.11
General Fund carried forward	6913.85	7860.62

Donnington Grove Golf Committee

Charity Account 01625225

Total Interest received	30.48
Captains Drive-in Guess the distances	185.00
Ladies Xmas lunch Secret Santa donations	50.00
Ladies Thursday rollups	15.00
Ladies Eclectic/Par & Birdie Trees	21.00
Champagne rollup cakes	20.00
Quiz Nights	66.50
Race Night to date	59.25
Seniors Bowl	1140.00
Seniors Tour donation	156.50
St Georges Day	265.00
Bar Charity Boxes	66.86
Charity Parking Space	320.00
Charity Day	5322.03
Total collected to date	<u>£ 7,717.62</u>

Donnington Grove Golf Committee

Income & Expenditure Account

	Year to 31 October 2023	Year to 31 October 2022
Income		
Competitions Income	13,370.00	15,839.00
Card charges	(68.53)	(64.71)
Fines charged	10.00	8.00
Less: Vouchers	(7,900.00)	(9,960.00)
Prizegiving	(4,365.00)	(4,685.00)
	<u>(12,265.00)</u>	<u>(14,645.00)</u>
	1046.47	1137.29
Turkey Trot shortfall	0.00	(50.00)
Club Ties	0.92	1.84
Interest received	117.84	7.98
Total Income	1165.23	1097.11
Expenditure		
Berkshire Ladies comps	184.00	151.00
England Golf Race to Woodhall Spa	70.00	30.00
BB&O Hillman/Foursomes/Champion Club/Lombard	155.00	120.00
RDICL Scratch League	-75.00	225.00
Annodata Matchplay Men and Ladies	210.00	195.00
Inter-club Challenge	240.00	0.00
Committee Golf Day	320.00	300.00
30th Anniversary sponsorship	900.00	
Memorial plaques	48.00	20.00
Bank charges	60.00	50.00
Total Expenditure	2112.00	1091.00
Loss/Profit	-946.77	6.11

Competitions Report

Competitions Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 9th October 2024

Attendees: Bernie Martin, Rob Hinson, Steve Martin, Steve Lillywhite, Jools Black, Andy Meredith, Gill Lane, Paul Canning, Kieran Watson

1 Apologies: Simon Vines, Sandy Byfield

2 Minutes of Last Meeting – Approved.

3 Items Carried Forward

a. No Shows – None this period

b. Boards – in hand. GL asked if they will they be ready for Presentation Evening photos.

c. Website results. Nothing further. This item will be taken off the agenda.

d. Competition Manual. SB has published on Club V1, the master doc is in the comps manual master folder. SL will update the website.

- e. Zone sizes and times for drawn competitions. After some discussion, we will run a trial (similar to Stableford comps) next year, April or May medal.
 - f. Secretary Role – SL will speak to the existing committee to see if they would like to continue.
 - g. New Handicap secretary – Paul Greening has taken this on. SB will arrange a session with him re HC sec role.
 - h. Presentation Evening – SB has provided AS with details of improvers.
 - i. Charity Day – money is almost sorted. AM will send information to GL.
 - j. TOC – Tee times are OK. According to the manual the current format should be medal, white tees. Do we want to change it to Stableford, yellow tees? Review next year.
 - k. New Members Cup – AM did not charge for this, presented the Cup to Vaughan Miller.
- 4 Rota – OK
- 5 Upcoming Competitions
- a. Summer Knockouts – just the Doubles outstanding. BM will check on 13th October. Suggested that we start next year's knockouts on 1st April.
 - b. Winter Knockouts – BM will collate.
 - c. Champagne Roll Up – All finished. There was an average of 35 players. The members draw was won twice. RH/TP happy to continue next year.
 - d. 19th October Greenkeepers Revenge – RH/GL. Entry £6pp, includes bacon roll. Greenkeepers taking part will not be charged.
 - e. 9th November Captains Drive In KW/SL/AM. Format front 9 2 ball texas scramble, back 9, 2 ball Greensomes. Information will be attached to the cards. The Royal British Legion is supplying prizes for the day. The drive in will be on the 1st hole and putting will be on the 9th green.
- 6 AOB
- a. Diary for next year is currently only up to mid September. KW will speak to TF.
 - b. SL – thanks to BM/SM for their efforts over the last two years. Good luck to SL and PG in their new positions.

Matters/Actions Arising from Report.

No Questions

Lady Captains Report

Awaiting Report

Matter/Actions arising from report.

No Questions or actions

Senior Captains Report

Awaiting Report

Matters/Actions arising from report.

Questions from Members Reps

AOB

AM

I wish to thank all the members of committee for their help and support, which has made the past year fun and enjoyable.

SW

I am please to inform committee my vice captain for the coming year will be John Headland

IC

Many thanks to all, and especially to the senior group, and my best wishes to Steve for the coming year.

SB

Bye Bye

AS

Many thanks to everyone for the past year, I wish Andy and Helen happy holidays, and enjoy the walk from your cars at the drive-in. The Club Vice Captain for the coming year will be Kevin Bale.

BM

I have been asked if the presentation evening could be open to all.

AS

I do not have a problem with opening the evening to all the members to celebrate the year's competition winners, and make the night into something incredibly special, however it will not be a one-man task, I will speak with the incoming Competition Secretary and ask him to ask his committee for suggestions, and volunteers

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Next Meeting Tuesday 19th November 2024 19:30

The Captain Closed the Meeting :- 20.26

Next Meeting –

Date – Tuesday 13th February

Time – 19.30

Location-- Avon Room Donnington Grove GC