



MINUTES OF THE WHEATHILL GOLF CLUB MAIN COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 24th April 2024

PRESENT:

Janette Stewart-Burnett	JSB	Club Chair
Dave Gregory	DG	Club Treasurer
Alan Forscutt	AF	Men's Committee Representative
Andrew England	AE	Proprietor
Anne Scott	AS	Ladies Captain
Jim Williams	JW	Seniors Captain
Jill Byrne	JB	Junior Organiser

1. Introduction JSB welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Apologies

Pete Dunford (wishing him well), Sean Woodward.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting 27th March 2024

The minutes of the last Meeting were agreed, proposed by JW and seconded by AS

4. Matters arising from previous meetings

Matters arising were addressed either at the appropriate agenda items or as follows:

5. Secretary's Report and Correspondence.

PD: Reported

Nothing to Report

Honours Boards have been update; it has been noted that there are still some spelling errors.

Action: Ongoing PD to get boards updated.

6. Handicap & Competitions Secretary's Report

AF Reported:

Men's open currently having problems with empire golf updating the form. We hope to have this resolved shortly.

Accounts are all in order.

Upcoming competitions are all advertise and draws completed for the summer knockouts.

Captain's day on July 13th the Skip is planning to have a Mexican theme, no more bandits required.

Air Ambulance Day has been rescheduled for 5th October.

The committee would be willing to support a Quiz evening.

The committee was anxious to ensure the 10 inc 5 white qualifying rules were consistent with other sections. Post note this is the case.

7. Treasurer's Report

DG reported:

See Appendix 1

8. Captain's Report

SW reported:

Well at last the weather has decided to shine on us, and the green keepers are working their magic to get the course ready for the forthcoming season, and I must say personally that they are doing a fantastic job, the new tee markers made by Justin must have a special mention as they are amazing, and I hope our members appreciate what he has done in his own time, on the playing side well done to the vice captains on winning our competition, and I've played my first captain Pro challenge which I would say was a really enjoyable game, so hopefully the sun will shine and we can all enjoy the game we love. Skip.

9. Management Report.

AE Reported:

Gloucester and Somerset PGA medal went very well today with compliments received and Mark finishing second with 2 under par score.

Finally we are seeing some improved weather with buggies back on and cutting grass continuously.

We intend to micro spike the greens and topdress from Tuesday 7th May.
(Renovation).

Women on Par oversubscribed. Two members joined from the group So Far!

10. Ladies Section Report

AS Reported:

Despite the course being shut for several days that week, the Captain's v Vice Captain's went off well. The Vice Captain's team won again! With only 9 points in it, it was very wet and windy, felt like a battle out there.

The race night was a very successful evening, excellent food, fun, well supported by Vicky's family and friends, as well as Rotarians and Golfers which raised £1208.15 for Porphyria.

The charity car space draw was done and won by Les Hawes raising a further £142.00

The total at the moment is £1769.15

The Rogers cup was held on Monday the 22nd April at Minehead. Unfortunately, we lost to Mendip Spring 4-3.

11. Seniors Section Report.

JW Reported:

Monday 15th April Lyme Regis Jurassic Challenge. Eight hardy seniors braved the rain/hail and 42 mile wind. Sad to say we didn't excel on points amassed. However – Clive nearest the pin plus two spot rewards with vino and folding money. Not to be outdone Dave Eynon also a two spot. Not to mention raffle prizes won. So not a total disaster. Looking forward to eventually getting friendly matches underway tomorrow v Rushmore. I have had know comments regarding the constitution.

12. Junior Section Report

JB Reported:

Finally after a quiet patch, something to report!

Firstly we now have 51 junior members on the books with a good percentage of them active and with or working towards getting handicaps which has been delayed

due to weather as we all know. I'm told that Wheathill has the most registered juniors of all Somerset clubs.

Three juniors are in County squads and are regularly attending training and will be competing over the Summer for Somerset. This can impinge on their ability to compete for Wheathill but with numbers buoyant just now we should be secure with our Junior League entries.

To that end we went to Taunton and Pickeridge on Sunday for the first South Area League Event with a full team by the skin of our teeth, after Jemima and George got their handicaps in place in the 3 days prior. Of the five players, four were placed in their divisions with Elliott Tuck winning division 3. Wheathill scored 13 points on the day placing us 2nd behind Yeovil by only one point. Our next round is at Yeovil on 19th May.

On the same day Lucy and Libery were playing at Weston in the County Girls Spring Meet. Lucy won the Chivers Cup with a Stableford score of 44 giving her a handicap cut to 31.6 which she is really pleased with and so am I.

At the weekend we have the rearranged Mary England competition and the section would like to record our thanks to everyone who will be there for the benefit of the Juniors.

13. AOB

Diary Sponsorship

Still a couple of payments due and the bill to be resolved with Remous.
Action JSB

Competition Book

The competition book needs updating.
Greater clarity is required on the rules governing the Blades competition.

The committee agreed that the competition sheets should be added to the website.

Action Club Captains

Course Record

JB raised the winner of the Junior Open last year achieved the the course record and should be hung in the club house.

Action JB and AE

Men's Handicap Secretary

AF announced his resignation and would keep in the role until a replacement was found. The committee were very saddened to hear his news.

Ongoing

Vice Captains

AS asked if the Vice Captains could come on the Main Committee earlier in the year. It was agreed they would be invited on to attend from September.

Lavender Cottage

AS raised the fact that Lavender Cottage had become very rocky and the past captains Gerry Morgan and Jen Warmington and the current captains Anne and Sean would like to finance eco toilets to be placed on the course. They will subsequently put together a proposal.

Action AS and SW

Constitution Sections Feedback

JB raised the points received from the sections feedback regarding the constitution. These were discussed in full and those changes agreed will be implemented.

Action AE and JB

The meeting finished at 1915

The next meeting will be held on May 29th commencing at 6.30 pm in the clubhouse.

Signed

Date: 29th May 2024

Chair

Appendix 1

Wheathill Golf Club Accounts 28th March 2024 to 24th April 2024

	General Section	Mens Section	Junior Section	Seniors Section
Opening Balance	£1415.78	£421.20	£125.71	£1193.11
Income				
Winter T/P/C		£40.00		
Snrs Winter Lg				£16.50
Snrs Eclectic				£10.00
Easter Scramble		£32.00		
J.Williamscapv Vice	£6.00			
Jurassic Chall				£110.00
Mendip Spring				£44.00
Totals	£1421.78	£493.20	£125.71	£1373.61
Expenditure				
Fund raising cash at bank =	£124.02			
Total in hand nil				
Total at bank	£3538.32			