

**MINUTES OF THE WHEATHILL GOLF CLUB MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23rd June 2021**

PRESENT:

Janette Stewart-Burnett JSB Chair

Joan Stone JS Ladies’ Captain

Pete Dunford PD Club Secretary

Dave Gregory DG Club Treasurer

Jill Byrne JB Committee Member & Junior Organiser

1. **Introduction** JSB opened at 18:00 welcoming everyone back after such a long break due to the pandemic
2. **Apologies**

Apologies received from DM, CR, AE & RM

1. **Minutes of the Last Meeting 25th May 2021**

The Minutes of the last Meeting were agreed, proposed by JB and seconded by JS

**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 that the Kizzy cup draw had started, the Lintern Trophy draw had been done and the competition was on Saturday.

The Camelot Shield calling notice has been withdrawn due to lack of entrants, it was agreed to reschedule the competition and advertise it in the pro shop.

Post Meeting Note: Saturday 16th October is now the revised date for the Camelot Shield

1. **Handicap & Competitions Secretary’s Report**

DM: Reported

Competition Report:

* Lack of support for all men’s club competitions, club championships has 52 people entered and the club captain and vice captain are not supporting so what hope is there of improvement. June Sunday Medal had 29 entrants, 22 of which were the Sunday washers.

Handicap Report:

* Casual rounds are effectively the same as a competition, you must state your intent to play a casual round by signing in on app or psi prior to play, have your card marked and verified by another member and enter your score and submit your card (same as supplementary).
* Score differential explained.
  + Handicap index makes no difference to score differential.
  + The score differential creates your handicap index.
  + The par of our men’s course is 69 but the course rating off the whites is 66.4.
  + The score differential is the difference between gross score and course rating.
  + If someone scored a gross 69 they are 2.6 over par (score differential 2.6).
  + If someone scored a gross 73 they are 6.6 over par.
  + The handicap index is created by averaging the best 8 of the last 20 score differentials.
  + But the playing conditions can slightly change score differential as it used to with CSS once at least 8 cards have been submitted for the day.

**7. Treasurer’s Report**

DG reported: That the men’s and general funds where very healthy, and that there had been no significant change in the past month.

**8. Captain’s Report**

CR Reported: Nothing to report

1. **Management Report**

AE: Reported: The greens have come back nicely, the clover has been sprayed and is in retreat, between the trees has been trimmed and the bunkers will be replenished with the 10 ton of sand that has arrived.

The course is nearly ready for the championships, we will be verticutting the greens to speed them up a little and cut out some of the longer swords. They will be fed this week and in 2 weeks again to prevent disease (such as anthyrax nose). The sidewinder machine should be back from the repair this week which will make tidying the banks and surrounds so much better. We shall continue to fight the rough but at this time of year, it can be like a grass factory!

1. **Ladies Section Report**

JS Reported:

I am glad to say the weather has been kinder to us this month.

There were no Ladies Silverware competitions, but we did have a good win in the League at Home against Tall Pines played on 2nd June.

There are still 5 matches to play. Next match is against Oake Manor at home on 1st July.

My Congratulations to Kate & Sam, who triumph against Cricket St Thomas at Wedmore in the Centenary Plate. The next round is to be played by 2nd August against Worlebury at Mendip Springs.

Our thoughts are with Kate & Gavin & Lynn & Sean after a devastating fire at their home.

Our thoughts are also with Val Boothman on her loss of husband John. Both John & Val were a big part in establishing this Golf Club.

1. **Seniors’ Section Report**

RM Reported:

Wheathill Seniors played their third Friendly match at Vivary Park G.C. on 27th May and although the weather was much improved the result took on a similar appearance to previous results, another 4 – 2 loss.

On the plus side we have now included 10 new players in the teams.

The Seniors Club Championship Competition was held on the 4th and 11th June. Congratulations go to the winners, Chris Hyldon with a gross 152 over the two rounds and Peter Stiling with a nett 136 for his two rounds.

1. **Junior Section Report**

JB Reported:

We had a very successful Open on 6th June with 12 entries including 3 of our own members. On the day 10 players attended with the open won by Jenson from Farrington, and our own Oscar Martin claiming 4th place.

On the 13th June the Junior Championship was not as well supported sadly. Oscar was the only entrant for the 18 hole competition and not wanting to claim the glory by default, elected for the competition to be moved to a later date yet to be decided, which was highly commendable. In the 9 hole Development Cup we had 2 players on the scorchingly hot afternoon. The game was narrowly contested with last year’s winner John claiming second place to new Champion Alexander by only one point.

Our next outing will be to Yeovil on 4th July for our first League Event.

1. **AOB**

**Cleaning Area**

CR raised the issue of excessive mud in the cleaning area, it was agreed to talk to Mike Strode to see if there was any funds left over to install grating. Paragraph 7 above refers

**Action: Closed CR reported no money available**

**World Handicap System**

PD was concerned that there appeared to be a lot of misinformation within the membership with respect to the introduction of the World Handicap System, he suggested a simple note, be produced explaining the working principles of this new system and how it effects the members.

It was agreed that PD in conjunction with the Pro Shop staff would produce a simple guide on how the to World Handicapping System works which will be sent out as an e-mail to all members.

**Action: DM**

**List of Qualifiers/Playing rounds:**

The Seniors Captain asked if a list of all qualifiers/playing rounds could be produced.

**Action: Closed, not possible currently on either ClubV1 or Howdidido**

**Buggy House:**

Two members have asked if a buggy house could be provided to house two buggies, these members have offered to help with both labour and materials.

**Action: AE to consider, on going**

**Ladies Stroke Equalisation Shots:**

This issue is causing concern amongst a number of male members. The number of additional shots is derived between the difference in the red and white or red and yellow tees.

As an example the Wheathill course rating from the white tees is 66.4 and from the red tees is 69.6, the difference is 3.2 ie 3 shots, therefore equalisation shots no longer exist.

**Closed**

**Starters Hut:**

DG has volunteered to the starters hut and paint the floor.

**Action:DG**

The competition handicap chart displayed in the starters hut needs revision

**Action: DG & PD**

**John Boothman:**

Acard and letter of condolence has been sent to Val Boothman on behalf of the club membership.

JSB is to attend the funeral of John representing the club and its membership.

It has been suggested that we plant a tree in memory of John, Val is to be consulted.

**Action: PD**

**Playing Committee:**

At recent Main Committee meeting the usefulness of the Playing committee has been questioned It was therefore suggested as there is no league activity this year that the playing committee is postponed this year and re-assess its future at the next meeting.

**Action: PD**

Meeting closed at 19:05

The next meeting will be held in the Club House on Wednesday July 28th at 6:00 pm

Signed: Date: 23rd June 2021

Chair

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| Opening balance | | £1,475.94 |  |  | £541.97 |  | £387.86 |  |  |  |  |
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| Levy cheque |  | £1,902.00 |  |  | Nil |  | Nil |  |  |  |  |
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| upkeep |  | £49.80 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Juniors Champs | |  |  |  |  |  | £58.00 |  |  |  |  |
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| Totals |  | £3,328.14 |  |  | £541.97 |  | £329.86 |  | £1,231.68 | £1,735.13 |  |
| Cash at bank |  | £4,195.87 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash in hand |  | £4.10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand total |  | £4,199.97 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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