

# MINUTES OF THE WHEATHILL GOLF CLUB MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25th September 2024

Janette Stewart-Burnett JSB Club Chair Dave Gregory DG Club Treasurer

Gerry Morgan GM Men's Competition Representative

and Acting Secretary

Anne Scott AS Ladies Captain Sean Woodward SW Club Captain Jill Byrne JB Junior Organiser

Malcolm Green MG Seniors Representative
Darren Martin DM Men's Vice Captain
Andrew England AE Wheathill Management

**1. Introduction** JSB welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced DM

## 2. Apologies

Jim Williams, Fiona Cruse

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting 28th August 2024 The minutes of the last Meeting were agreed, and proposed by DG and seconded by JB.

### 4. Matters arising from previous meetings

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

There will be 4 vacancies at the next AGM, not 3 as reported. A position on the Men's competition committee is available due to the resignation of Alan Forscutt.

#### 5. Secretary's Report and Correspondence.

No correspondence had been received.

Honours Boards have been updated. It has been noted that there are still some spelling mistakes.

Action: JSB

#### 6. Handicap & Competitions Secretary's Report

GM Reported:

A meeting of the competitions committee had been held on the 20<sup>th</sup> September, the main points arising were

Men's Open saw 64 entrants including 25 from other clubs.

Men's Championship was successfully held. A subsidy of £295 was given on the day to help offset food and twos spots funds, Next year there will be two spots on separate days.

The Kizzzie (finally) Cara Cup, Lydford Trophy, Stirrers, Cumisky and Townsend competitions had all been held successfully in a busy summer. Entries were unfortunately down on previous years.

**Fundraising day** has been postponed until 16<sup>th</sup> November due to the weather,

Winter Trophy etc, is being advertised, entrants with less than 5 white qualifiers are being chased, The entrants for the Camelot shield in May can claim a white qualifier as this was on the advert.

Blades advertised, again the entry criteria may affect the entries.

# 7. Treasurer's Report

DG reported See Appendix 1

### 7. Captain's Report

Due to unfortunate Work incidents the Captain had been unable to prepare a full report, however he had been pleased by a wonderful month of competitions including the Men's open. A concern regarding the Avalon leagues administration had caused a little upset in the club, but the committee backed the Captain and reiterated it was a League matter.

The Captain commented on the success of the Men's Championship and congratulated the winners.

#### 9. Management Report.

The Club fund raiser day that was rained off has been rescheduled for the 16th November. Entry sheet will be on the board.

Due to Mark and Darren's success in the St James's Place Nation Pro-Am, which they won and qualified for the finals in Turkey, the AGM has been moved to the 5th December, so Darren will be present for the Captains hand over.

We are experiencing too many no shows for competitions which is unfair on the other players. Please telephone the Pro Shop or Competition organiser if you really can't make the game asap!

The Seniors Captain has asked for their competitors to keep up with pace of play during competitions. Very slow play is not helpful.

It has been a very busy time on the golf course with greens renovations, trimming back trees especially on the 5th and 15th whilst still prepping the course for late in the season tournaments.

Our popular Winter Carvery's are scheduled in. Please see the Clubhouse for details.

We have a Ping Demo Day in October so book your slot in the Pro Shop.

We shall be making the warm up net good asap. However, we have a new net that will be put up in the spring

# 10.Ladies Section Report

Daren Vice Captain Men's Section Auction at Fund Raising Day, which was rained off, some 4Ball vouchers shared with Ladies section, £200.00 for charity of Porphyria.

<u>Seniors + Ladies Rose Bowl</u> 6<sup>th</sup> September won by Sylvia Bates Dave Eynon, Tony Targett & John Houston.

<u>Away Days to Woodbury</u>, fabulous, although a little on the cold side for September, a great course/hotel, fab food, good company and well organised by Fiona.

Sadly, Sue Ovland was unable to come, and Sam Thorpe had to withdraw last minute due to Covid.

I really enjoyed my time and think it was an immense success.

4Ball vouchers, Definition of the rules, as to when the vouchers can be used i.e. whether they can be used as prizes / raffles / auctions etc. These are given at the Managements discretion to the incoming Vice Captain for the sole purpose of raising money for the Club's charity. In the past they are distributed amongst all the Captains in an effort to persuade other clubs to reciprocate.

#### 11. Seniors Section Report.

MG reported

The Seniors match teams continue to have mixed fortunes and continue to compete in their matches some of which have been rearranged.

# 12.Junior Section Report

JB reported

The Juniors were entered in the Team Captain's Challenge Event for the first time acquitting themselves well in 5th place. On the following day we had the O'Connor Trophy flag competition won very ably by Eric Goymer playing right through to the second green.

The following weekend was the Committee Cup with 5 juniors playing against 4 committee members and one parent. This time the Committee were jubilant following the past two times being won by the juniors.

Our final Junior League Event will take place on Saturday 28th when we hope to exploit our home advantage and secure enough points to go through to the play off against the North Division winners, Burnham and Berrow.

Our new Junior Captain will be Lucy Sleeth-Stevens who started playing through Girls Golf Rocks and has made amazing progress through the League and County pathways.

#### **13.AOB**

Handicap procedure: As the committee can change/alter handicaps, irrespective of England Golf, should there be a club announcement rather than a Ladies Section, so that all club members are aware that handicaps can change, Raised by AS

Action Hcp committee

2025 Meeting Dates, JSB was keen to finalise which day and time of the week was best for meetings next year, She was advised to canvass the incoming Captains for their preferences.

Action DM

The meeting finished at 19.32 The next meeting is scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> October, venue and time tba

Signed Date:

Chair