

**MINUTES OF THE WHEATHILL GOLF CLUB MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 27th February 2019**

PRESENT:

Janette Stewart-Burnett JSB Chair

Geoff Brewin GB Club Captain

Ann Gates AG Ladies’ Captain

Dave Gregory DG Club Treasurer

Pete Dunford PD Club Secretary

Chris Whyntie CW Competition & Handicap Secretary

Jill Byrne JB Committee Member & Junior Organiser

Mike Stayner MS Seniors’ Captain

Andrew England AE Proprietor

1. **Introduction** JSB opened and welcomed everyone to the meeting
2. **Apologies**

There were no apologies

1. **Minutes of the Last Meeting 23rd January 2019**

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

**4. Matters arising from previous meetings**

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

**Archiving**

The archiving of club data is in hand but due to time constraints and the size of the task is taking longer then anticipated to complete

**Action: PD, JB & DG On-going**

1. **Secretary’s Report and Correspondence.**

PD reported:

Nothing to report

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

CW Reported:

The draw has been done for the 4 running comps with the added addition of no extension unless it is for bad weather also Chris Moore has showed an interest in helping me with the medals and stableford comps as soon as the competitions start I will train him.

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

DG reported:

It’s been a quiet month the only activity being the payment of £66 to cover the cost of amendments to the Honours Boards

1. **Captain’s Report**

GB reported:

What a month of weather we have had, playing golf with no wet weather gear on, playing in short sleeve shirts, fantastic.

We our now looking forward to the opening season with the Captains V Vice- Captains on the 16th March, please- please let the climate continue, we don’t want a repeat of last years beast from the east. Teams have now been selected, just to finalise food requirements and we are good to go.

The men’s Invitation Day on Sunday 28th April, the sign-up sheet is on the Board, please start voicing this about so we can get a good attendance.

The Departing staff, John, Daniel and Lewis, although it is very sad to see them go, as they have all been a great asset to the Club, myself along with everyone else, wish them all the best for the future.

1. **Management Report**

AE reported:

Thank you for committing your time and efforts to the club. The best of luck for the upcoming season.

The County will be assessing the course in May in preparation of the world handicapping system. The club and course are going well and in the right direction. Obviously there are changes to personnel from time to time but when one door shuts another opens and we strive to move the club forwards and keep improving.

The Website is under construction with Jim O’Connor.

The weather has been amazing and let’s hope for a good spring going forward.

We shall endeavour to have the golf course in normal and full-length conditions for competition play as soon as possible.

A busy early spring awaits.

1. **Ladies Section Report**

AG Reported:

The ladies section asked to provide a trophy for the 4 best gross medal scores. The secretary was concerned at the amount of silverware competitions held in the club, which included the amount of entries on the honours boards. The secretary continued there are already a number of competitions in the club that do not attract silverware, why cant this be another one of these.

The meeting agreed that the Trophy can be provided; entry on the honours boards is under consideration.

**Action: PD**

Greta Hillier has resigned from her position as treasurer on the Ladies committee; Helen Lane has agreed to continue in this role.

1. **Seniors’ Section Report**

MS Reported:

The senior’s have entered both The Jurassic Coast Challenge at Lyme Regis which takes place on April 9th and The Quantock Stag at Enmore on the 16th August.

The Cannington Seniors Friendly match was to be played on the 9th April, the same date as the Jurassic Coast Challenge. Cannington were very accommodating and have agreed to play their match on the 11th April

Since our last meeting the Seniors have played one competition, namely, The Three Club Trophy, the winner being Roy Kennedy

The Seniors' secretary resigned from his post on the 17th February, no reason given. It was difficult to fill the post in the first place and I can see that it will be difficult again.

1. **Junior Section Report**

JB Reported:

At the start of this month Yeovil approached us to play a return friendly fixture on the Newton Course. Four juniors were able to play on the day and the match was thoroughly enjoyable though home advantage just gave Yeovil the win. Third place was achieved by Billy Smith, new junior member, just awarded his 54 handicap who came in with 39 points closely followed by Ollie England also on 39 points (on count back).

Best news of the month is that Oscar Martin went to the County Development screening day during half term and has bee selected to join the Under 14 Development Squad with 4 training dates coming up over the coming months. I am so proud that Wheathill now has two junior golfers who are putting our club on the County radar. Congratulations and good luck to Oscar.

No less credit worthy is Callum Whittaker being offered an academic scholarship to Millfield starting there in September and we sincerely hope he has every success without forgetting his home club.

1. **AOB**

The Committee agreed that instead of placing the plaque for Jackie Lee in the starters hut, that it be placed in the trolley park/smokers area

**Action: Closed**

AE has spoken with the Internet supplier who quoted an extremely high cost to install super fast fibre to the club. Local residents are expecting super fast broadband to be supplied to the local area as part of the Government initiative.

**Action: AE On-Going**

It was also agreed to have a training session on how to reset the Internet connection/computer

**Action: PD to talk to Mark and Martin**

AF asked if it would be possible to make room in the hall near the computer to put a shelf, which AF would be happy to supply, for the seniors files. This was discussed and it applies to all the files. PD suggested we investigate the purchase of a kitchen unit carcass

**Action: PD On-Going**

**Diary Preparation;**

Andy McDougall has taken over the role of diary preparation; he is to be invited to the next MCM in order to introduce him to the main participants in diary preparation.

**Action: PD**

**Communication of Events & Notices (Data Protection)**

JSB has researched the issue of data protection and the on going use of personal e-mails and recommended that we adopt the schools policy of all members having a unique Wheathill e-mail address, which will be limited for use of golf club business only.

**Action: JSB & AE**

As an interim measure Officers of the club can use personal e-mails once the recipients have given permission.

Club V1 can be used for informing members of their competition tee times, the use of Club V1 for other communications is to be investigated.

**Action: PD**

**Mixed Charity Bowmaker:**

Efforts have been made to move the league matches in order to move a clash with the Mixed Charity Bowmaker. The 3 Counties match has been moved but it has not been possible to move the Avalon A match. It was suggested that as it will be mid summer could not a later start time for the Avalon match be considered. CW stated that this was not possible.

**CPR and Defibrillator Training;**

Alan Frith has organised three training sessions starting at 3.15 on the 6th June and lasting an hour.

It is possible to train 10 people in each group, notice is to be posted inviting members to be trained.

**Action: GB**

**Memorial Book:**

AG stated that she knew someone who can do the calligraphy. Mike Stayner to provide the names of senior members. It was agreed that we should start with Rhod Palmer.

**Action: AG & MS**

**Ladies Tees:**

As both the yellow and the red tees are currently at the front of the tee boxes considerable damage is being done. The committee would like the red and yellow tees separated and moved to a point away from the current tee boxes whilst the course conditions are wet and muddy.

**Action: Closed**

**New Out of Bounds Rule:**

England Golf has rescinded this new rule

**Action: Closed**

**Cross Country Competition**

Charlie Anderson asked if a Trophy could be provided for the Cross Country Competition. The committee were of the opinion that this competition was not worthy of a separate trophy.

**Cupboard Keys**

CW raised concern over the scorecard cupboard keys going missing. He is to get a new set cut if this continues he will be the only holder of keys.

GB stated that Steve Chinnock has volunteered to keep the league match scoreboard up to date

GB also stated that the Duck House once refurbished would be placed to the side of the pond on the fourth and not in the pond.

**Action: GB**

The next meeting will be held at 18:30 on **Thursday 28th March 2019** in the Club House

Signed: Janette Stewart-Burnett Date: 28th March 2019

Chair

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