

MINUTES OF THE WHEATHILL GOLF CLUB MAIN COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD ON 29th JANUARY 2025

Janette Stewart-Burnett	JSB	Club Chair
Dave Gregory	DG	Club Treasurer
Darren Martin	DM	Club Captain
Malcolm Green	MG	Senior Captain
Fiona Cruse	FC	Lady Captain
Jill Byrne	JB	Junior Representative
Kelvin Dagger	KD	Handicap Secretary
Pete Westcott	PW	Men's Competitions

1. Introduction.

JSB welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies:

Andrew England

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting 1st November 2024.

The minutes of the last Meeting were agreed, and proposed by DG and seconded by MG.

4. Matters arising from previous meetings.

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

5. Secretary's Report and Correspondence.

Correspondence – A letter was received from John Hilton on the 3rd of January requesting a meeting with the main committee. A subcommittee was arranged and the meeting took place on the 18th January. The subcommittee felt the result of the meeting was satisfactory and all involved could move on.

I have received an email from Janet Fear SLCGA Handicap Advisor referring to England Golfs policy on Gender and Fairness and will forward to the main committee to review and discuss at the next main committee meeting.

Honours Boards. DG has very kindly picked up the reins and has organised for Alpha Signs to update the boards and make any corrections. We need to discuss at our next meeting who will coordinated all the winners for the 2025 season.

JB also has kindly taken care of the Captain's pictures. Smaller ones have been done for the past captains and the incoming captains for next year will be done in time for this Year's AGM.

Mel Goymer has noticed she is not receiving minutes from the seniors' section to put on the website. MG can you ensure your secretary does this in future. The constitution also needs to be put on the website, which I will ask Mel to do.

The Men's handbook needs updating on the website it is 2023. Hopefully, this can be done by the next meeting. It also takes a long time to download on the website. I will check with Mel if there is a way of speeding it up.

The advertising of the Club Secretary Position, needs to be posted again, in addition the vacancy for the Wheathill diarist and Fixtures coordinator. I am happy to do this if you all agree.

The committee job descriptions need updating. **Action** The Committee. Can you all confirm you are happy for a Sub-Main Committee be put in place to deal with any problems and disciplinary matters? This would be comprised of the secretary (or acting one). The three captains and Junior Representative, plus a member of management. The Main Committee agreed.

6. Handicap Secretary's Report. KD

No Report, however AOB raised.

7. Competitions Secretary's Report. PW

Pete Moxham and Brian Onslow who won the Cumisky cup last year will be representing Wheathill in the 2025 Daily Mail Foursomes.

8. Treasurer's Report. DG

No Report accounts attached

9. Club Captain's Report. DM

Little to report except for my first presentation at the New Year's Texas scramble which was a great success.

10. Managements Report. AE

No report

11. Lady Captain's Report. FC

I've not a lot to report on yet!

The ladies' section were really lucky to be able to successfully run our Christmas competitions despite the awful weather at the end of last year.

I shall be attending the Quiz night with a team and will also be doing a bottle tombola in aid of Cancer Research. I will therefore be looking for donations of bottles please.

12. Senior Captain's Report.

The Texas Scramble went ahead on 8th January. There were a few changes and I now have Rob on speed dial.

A couple of issues arose. Two players cried off last minute as they claimed it was too cold.

The result was that I sent emails to both, explaining how they had let down other members including their playing partner, who when I spoke to him was quite upset. It is a team event. One rang me on

receipt of the email, we had a sensible conversation and he not only played, but his team won.

The other replied via email, explained it was a little more involved than that, but has promised to pay his entry fee and has accepted a ban from the next team competition, which is a yellow ball on 17th March. I had stated that I would bring it up with the committee as I was considering it, however he accepted the ban in his email, so I will leave it at that.

A line is drawn under that and hopefully we can move on into the spring. Another two cried off as they had flu. Entry fees to be paid.

13. Junior Sections Report.

The juniors who played in any of the League events are meeting to Play then have sausage and chips on Sunday 2nd February. We have received a shield for winning the South Division and a group photo will be taken on that day to post on the website.

We are re-entered into all the League events for the coming season and dates will be notified as soon as they are confirmed.

Several juniors are signed up for the Fundraising Bowmaker and we are grateful for the support of all other members who will be playing on that day.

The Roll ups are taking off again and as soon as the course is in qualifying condition, Junior Stableford rounds will be offered to ensure juniors achieve the required number of qualifiers to enter Club Silverware competitions.

JB raised the requirement for juniors to play in main competitions they will need to play with either a parent, a member who has an England Golf DBS clearance or play with a junior of the same gender. We need to encourage members to apply for this DBS requirement, which costs £9.60. Action Main Committee.

14. AOB

- 1. DM requested an increase in the yearly subs to £15, he was requested to prepare a budget to substantiate this

 Action Closed
- 2. JSB raised allocating the club fundraising monies of £993.02. It was agreed to purchase hooks for rakes in the bunkers, plus bench seating for the starters hut. DM suggested clarifying with AE, what items come under the management remit and visa versa.

 Action DM/JSB.

 MG would like prior to advertising the next club fundraising event announcing projects under consideration so members know where the money is going in advance.

 Action DM/JSB
- 3. MG raised closing times in the summer could they be extended? DM explained the difficulty of staffing. KD would be happy to help. Maybe a Wednesday or Thursday to 8pm. Action to raise with AE at the next meeting.
- 4. FC raised the Mixed Charity Bowmaker. She is looking for sponsors who would like to sponsor a hole or donate prizes. Can we please spread the word? **Action All**
- 5. MG raised a few seniors wish to play a medal without entering it, as it becomes quite costly. After some discussion where in the old days it was possible. It would be difficult to manage after the introduction of WHS. Therefore it was decided it couldn't be introduced.
- 6. KD raised the subject of Slow Play in medals. Always a problem. The Pro-shop are happy for buggies to be used to marshal these competitions. So we are looking for volunteers. **Action All**
- 7. During last year's AGM Judith Rowsell raised the subject that for Silverware. The qualifiers should only be those played at Wheathill. Not, other clubs.

PW who provided reports of qualifying competitions. Felt this would have to be done manually and would be very time consuming. The committee concurred.

DM raised the 10 qualifiers should not include general play as they can be manipulated. FC agreed. The competitions need to be monitored and reviewed in May as to whether the amount of qualifiers off the whites should be reduced for the next season. DM has also been in contact with Somerset golf for their view.

PW will be putting the qualifiers report for all men up in the foyer and send an email to the effect of reiterating what is required for silverware and anyone who has mitigating circumstances to advise him accordingly.

The meeting finished at 19.45pm

The next meeting to be held at Wheathill Golf Club on the 28th February at 3pm.

Signed Date:

Chair

Wheathill Golf Club Accounts 1st-October-2024 to 29th-January-2025

General Section Men's Section Junior Section Seniors Section					
Onaning Palanca	£1,966.13	£842.65	£162.77		
Opening Balance	11,900.13	1842.03	1102.//	£1,728.61	
Income				222.22	
Oct/comps				£30.00	
Oct/comps		£50.00			
2025	62 720 00				
Levy	£3,720.00				
6xplayers for					
Jurassic Challenge				£240.00	
New year scramble		636.00			
scramble		£26.00			
Tatala	CE COC 12	C010 CF	C1C2 77	C1 000 C1	
Totals	£5,686.13	£918.65	£162.77	£1,998.61	
Expenditure				245.00	
Jnr shirt spons				£15.00	
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Capts sweaters	£279.96				
Everyones a					
Winner				£230.90	
Adjust jnr Photos	£25.00				
Engraving	£472.66				
To fundraising		£385			
Presentation night	£550.00				
Avalon Ig fees		£75.00		£25.00	
Lyme/Jurassic				£320.00	
Jill/Cap photos	£39.88		£40.00		
Junior Lg Fees					
G.Morgan/photos	£29.99				
Totals	£4,288.64	£443.65	£122.77	£1,407.71	
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Fundraisng=£498.02+£220.00+£385.00=£1103.02 minus £110 to Andrew England golf leaves £993.02 Cash at Bank=£7255.79