KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S SENIORS SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

6 September 2022 - 9.30am

Present: Richard Pearce (RP), Jeff Gee(JG), Derek Haines (DH), Graham Paine (GP), Brian

Saunders (BS), David Warburton (DW), Peter Battley (PB)

Apologies: John Regler, Mike Wakeham

Item

Action

Welcome

RP welcomed Peter Battley

1 Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 2 August 2022

The minutes were accepted.

2 Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meetings

An option for a Senior's Section funded project is the refurbishment of the driving nets. RP has discussed this with Andy Windsor to explore a more substantive project to improve the nets for teaching purposes incorporating more shelter and ball tracking. This does not appear feasible so the proposal will be limited to refurbishing the nets and possibly adding another bay. The Committee supported taking this proposal forward. Quotes for the work are being pursued.

3 Finance

JG had circulated the latest balance sheet and income and expenditure account. This showed the position at 31 August 2022. In summary, the bank balance less creditors ("available surplus") is £5,563.63. Including the Club card account balance of £239.82 gives a total of £5,803.45.

The section's bank account has not yet been closed and the SLA with the club has not been put into effect. There was a discussion of whether closing the account could impact on using the "Big Give" to double the value of our charity contribution. The conclusion was that there should be no problem dealing with this under the SLA.

A staff gratuity was paid in respect of the assistance provided during the Bowmaker event.

There is a need to consider the impact of the change to the entrance fee for external events. The budget for the Wine Scramble, Bowmaker and the Knighton Heath Knockout will be considered at the next committee meeting. The entry forms will need to spell out the payment process in the light of the transfer of the seniors' account to the club.

DH/ RC RP suggested that the committee meetings could be moved to dates which gave more time for preparation for the Captain's Committee Meeting. JG said there could be an impact on the "made up to date" for the finance reports. The committee felt that being prepared for the Captain's Committee was the priority and that the Finance Report should made up to a date convenient to the Treasurer. The date of the report does not impact the ability of the committee to oversee the budget and expenditure. It was agreed that DH should decide on the optimum Tuesday in the month and liaise with the office.

JG DH

Report from Captains' Committee/MANCO

There was a discussion about the possibility of the practice area being used for landfill and then being developed into an improved driving range.

The unpublicised partial closures of the course as part of the course maintenance week was discussed. Reunert apologised for the lack of communication. BS reported that the head greenkeeper had come across to the roll up groups affected and explained the situation. This was greatly appreciated by the members.

The provision of gender free tees is still progressing.

Competitions for 5 day members have been proposed. These may include some different formats.

A walk over was awarded in the Men's foursome competition due to the inability of one pair to play on the scheduled date.

A discussion group has been established to consider how to accommodate lady's competitions on Saturday mornings.

There was a report on actions following concerns being raised about the quality of food. This matter continues to be looked at. The senior's committee agreed that this was a serious matter and important to the club. It was observed that there is no director with the specific responsibility for overseeing the operation of the bar, kitchen and clubhouse.

RP raised concerns about how some important matters were to be handled while Reunert was away. He was told that these will be dealt with remotely.

5 Competitions

A report on competitions has been prepared for the AGM. The Clutterbuck competition was won by George Turner. 21 Trophies are being prepared for the presentation evening on Friday 7 October. Bill Kennedy will be invited to present the trophy for the event named after him.

RC

JG will ask the club to pay for the trophies.

JG

The vouchers auction raised £621. The raffle raised £468. There were donations of £248. (All these figures are subject to revision). This means that we hold over £1000k to be donated through the "Big Give" which will mean that the amount will be doubled.

BS reported some concerns that had been raised by members of his roll up group about the organisation of some of the competitions, in particular playing in handicap order and in drawn groups.

6 2022 Matches

KHKO - Maurice Randall had agreed to manage the 2023 competition. He hopes to maximise the value to the club of this event.

There have been matches against Dorset G&CC and the Isle of Purbeck. Both were lost. A report has been prepared for the AGM.

6 clubs including KHGC have agreed to participate in the Winter League. Clubs will arrange the matches between themselves. There will be a final in early April 2023. RP will organise the league. RC will be team captain.

7 AGM

A plan for the AGM has been produced. Reunert will send an e mail to all seniors explaining the voting arrangements with link to the website to enable voting. This e mail will include the CVs of the candidates.

Committee members were asked to encouraged their roll up colleagues to vote and attend.

ALL

8 Seniors' Dinner Dance

It had been previously agreed that the Dinner Dance should be moved away from the pre-Christmas period to avoid clashing with the Club Dinner Dance. It was agreed that a questionnaire be used to seek senior members' views on the best timing for the Dinner Dance. This questionnaire will also be used to seek opinions on a number of issues. BS will coordinate and produce the questionnaire. All committee members should submit ideas for the questionnaire's contents to BS.

BS/ ALL

9 Correspondence

There was no correspondence to be considered.

10 AOB

JG asked whether we could consider changing one or more competitions to, for example, a 2 ball scramble or Chapman (American) Greensomes.

RP will explore the possibility of a replacement date for the Doug Proctor Competition with the Lady Captain.

RP

GP proposed a vote of thanks for RP and his persistence through a challenging year. This was agreed unanimously.

Date of next meeting: 4 October 2022 9.30 a.m. in the Club House.

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Men's Seniors	Section Captain	
DATE	4 Oct 2022	